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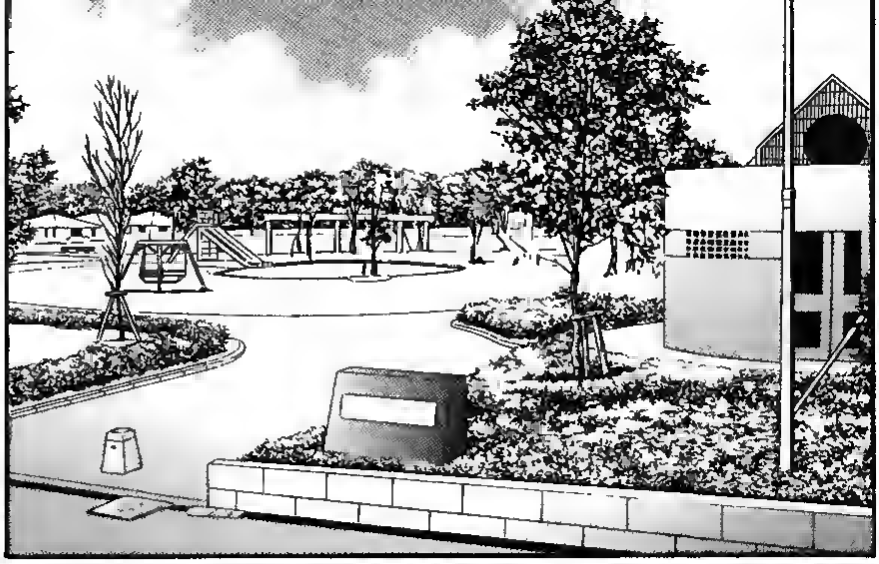

ROUND 1

WHA?!
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OWWW!
GAAH! LEG CRAMP! LEG CRAMP!
HUH?
OH NO! I FORGOT!
I'M SUPPOSED TO BE RUNNING ERRANDS!

Private:
Swan Academy Senior High School
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AS OF NOW, THIS ENTIRE SCHOOL...
...INCLUDING ALL IN IT...
...BELONG TO ME... MOKICHI SAITOU!
WHAT?!
IN YOUR FUCKIN' DREAMS, FROSH!

SUH-WING, BATTA BATTA!
HOME RUN, BITCH!
WUSS!
EAT IT, PUNK!
YEAH, YOU'RE A REAL TOUGH GUY...
...USING A BAT ON UNARMED GUYS!
High School Student (17)

LOOK WHO FINALLY SHOWED UP!
GOOD TO SEE YA, GENERAL...
IF I BEAT THIS GUY... THE WHOLE SCHOOL...
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...WILL BE MINE...
...FOR THE TAKING!
WHAT WAS I THINKING DOING BRIDGE PRACTICE? I'M GONNA BE LATE...
CRAP, CRAP, CRAP!
!
THE CLUB VICE CAPTAIN'S GOING TO KILL ME...

AAAH!
!!
OW...
OW, OW, OW...

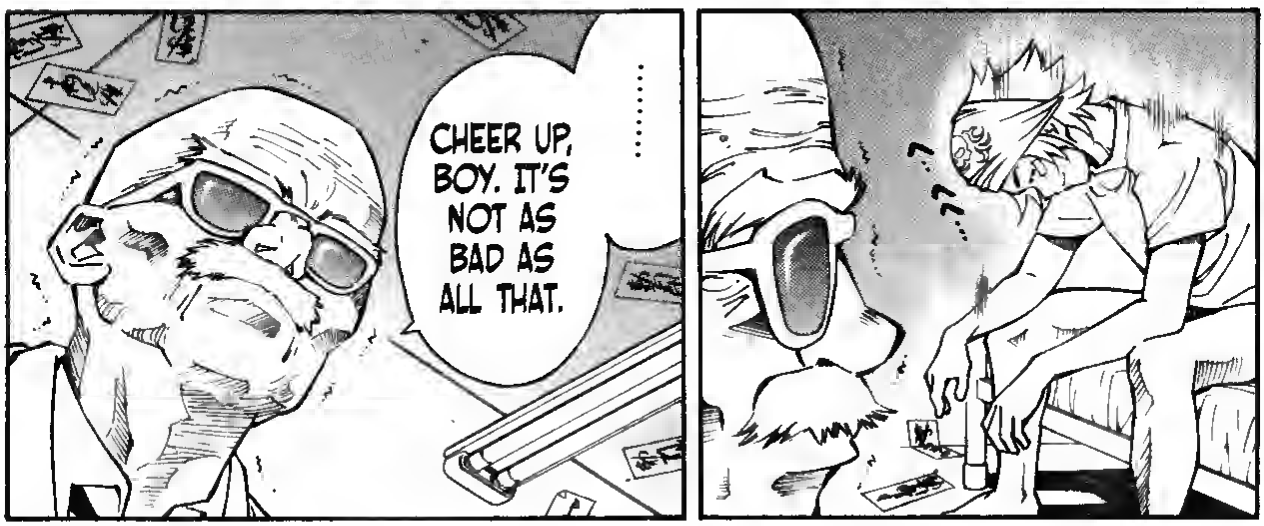
OH, NO...
THE POCARI I WAS SUPPOSED TO BRING...
UM... YEAH...
NOSIREE... NOT A BIT...OW...
GEN'RALS PUNCH DIN'T HURT AT ALL... NOPE...
LOOK, I DON'T KNOW WHAT...
THA'S ALL YA GOT? I'M NOT DONE YET...
EEK!
!!
SO A LI'L WARM-UP ROUND WI' YOU...

HEEEAAAHH!

DON'T WORRY...
YOU KEEP IT OUT IN THE SUN LIKE THIS, MAYBE IT'LL GROW! TEE HEE!
OH YUCK! YOU CAN SEE HIS WHOLE... Y'KNOW, PLACE!
LOOKS LIKE THE "BIG MAN" ON CAMPUS IS ANYTHING BUT!
WELL, WELL...
YEAH RIGHT! YOU'RE THE ONE WHO'S ALL ABOUT THE POLE, BLAINE!
EEEW! NASTY!
AND HERE I THOUGHT YOU CHEERLEADERS NEVER SAW A PECKER YOU DIDN'T LIKE!
INFIRMARY
...THINGS ARE NOT OFF...
...TO THE BEST START...
SO MAYBE...
OKAY...

MASTER PLAN PART ONE...
TRANSFER TO A SCHOOL WHERE NOBODY KNOWS ME AND START OVER WITH A CLEAN SLATE...
THEN, FROM THE DAY I ARRIVE, MAKE A BIG RUCKUS SO PEOPLE KNOW I'M THE MAN TO KEEP THEIR EYES ON...
High School Debut Project Outline
Mokichi Saitou
FIRST IMPRESSIONS ARE EVERYTHING.
I MEAN, HIGH SCHOOL IS A LOT LIKE PRISON...
"IF YOU WANT NO ONE TO FUCK WITH YOU, YOU GOTTA BASH SOMEONE'S HEAD IN WITH A MOP HANDLE THE FIRST DAY, YA FEEL ME?"
H-HEY! WHO THE HELL YOU THINK YOU ARE?
DON'T READ THAT!
!!
YOU HAVE MORE PRESSING CONCERNS, MY BOY. IT'S VERY COLD IN HERE...AND IT'S NOT LIKE YOU WERE STARTING OUT WITH A LOT TO WORK WITH...

MY HIGH SCHOOL DEBUT...
IT'S... OVER!!!
WHERE THE FUCK ARE MY PANTS?!
WHAT THE HELL?
HEY!
SCHOOL TRADITION DEMANDED THAT A HUMILIATED FRESHMAN'S UNDERGARMENTS BE DISPLAYED PROMINENTLY IN THE SCHOOL QUAD...
...WHERE ALL OTHER STUDENTS COULD REVEL IN ANOTHER'S PAIN.
Tokyo
GROSS!
EWWW! SKID MARKS!


CHEER UP, BOY. IT'S NOT AS BAD AS ALL THAT.
.....
(...)

IT'S NOT UNCOMMON TO BE BESTED BY A GIRL. SOME OF US DO IT OUR WHOLE LIVES. IT'S CALLED "MARRIAGE."

BESIDES, A JUDO THROW, WHEN EXECUTED PROPERLY, CAN BE FAR MORE DAMAGING THAN A PUNCH.
SO SUCK IT UP, LEARN FROM IT AND BE PREPARED NEXT TIME! ONLY THEN WILL YOU BE ON YOUR WAY TO BECOMING THE WORLD'S STRONGEST!
IT...IT'S NOT MY FAULT...
HE BROKE THEM... NOT... ME!!
AND YET YOU CHOSE NOT TO REPLACE THEM?
I...WAS OUT... OF MONEY!
EXCUSES ARE FORBIDDEN!
AIIIEE!
PAYBACK TIME!

THE WORLD'S STRONGEST!
.....
Swan Wrestling Club Battle Club
WHA?!
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NOTE TO SELF...
.....

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LIPSTICK LESBIAN
PANT
PANT
A VIRGIN...
...JOIN THE WREST-LING CLUB...
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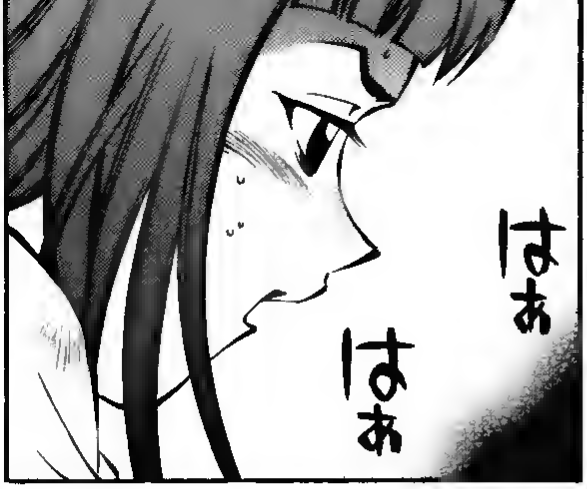
...AROUSED.
ANOTHER VIRGIN...
...WITH EXQUISITE BREASTS. (BUT YOU CAN SEE THAT RIGHT?)
...OH GOD... TOO MUCH...
I... CAN'T...

HYUP!
YOU STILL HAVE SOME FIGHT LEFT IN YOU? GOOD. I LIKE IT WHEN THEY FIGHT...
HYUP!
HA!
DO IT AGAIN. TRY HARDER.
HA HA HA! THAT ALL YOU GOT?
OOOOHH...
OH?
EYYAAAAHH!
IT CAN'T BE. THE GIRL WHO THREW ME IS GETTING TOSSED AROUND LIKE A BEANBAG...

HYAAAAHHH!!
NO WAY...
HOW DID SHE ...?

FILA
?!
BREAK!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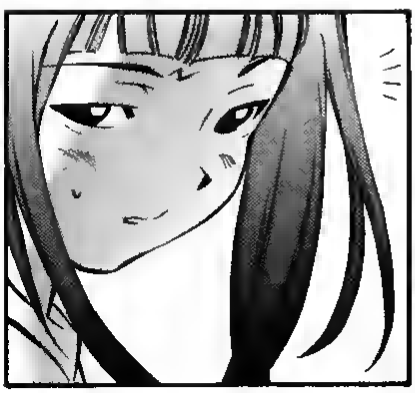
ALL...SELF-GRATIFICATION ASIDE...THAT WAS AMAZING!
...AND I WAS SO CLOSE...

.....
DAMN! IT'S OVER...



FOOL!
MAYBE NOT...
DREG!
YOU'RE 100,000 YEARS TOO EARLY TO LIFT ME!
PULSE RATE: 0

UH...
WHO THE HELL ARE YOU?
WAIT...I RECOGNIZE THAT HEADBAND!
D'JA COME HERE TO GET REVENGE?
OR TO PAY FOR THE POCARI YOU BROKE?
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO GOT HIS ASS KICKED BY TAMAKO...AND HAD HIS UNDERPANTS RUN UP THE FLAGPOLE! MIGHT WANNA WEAR CLEAN ONES NEXT TIME...
PLEASE!

I WISH TO LEARN! PLEASE, TURN ME INTO A REAL MAN!
.....
MAN, ARE YOU BARKIN' UP THE WRONG TREE...
Gah! Not that! I want to join the club!
LOOK, I'M NOT INTO DCK AND EVEN IF I WAS, I HEARD ABOUT YOU, TINY--
I...
I JUST DON'T WANT TO BE MADE FUN OF ANYMORE!

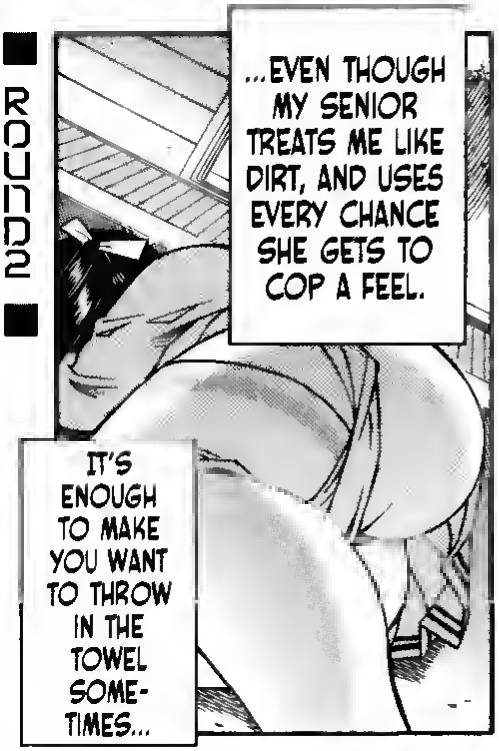
I...
...I WANT TO BE STRONG.
ALL RIGHT.
YOU CAN JOIN.
I CAN?
REALLY?
YES...
...ON ONE SMALL CONDITION.

I HAD NO IDEA WHAT I HAD GOTTEN MYSELF INTO...
YOU ARE ALREADY ACQUAINTED WITH TAMAKO, RIGHT?
WELL WHATTA YOU WAITIN' FOR? GET TO IT.
APRIL 7TH, 2005. ON THAT DAY...
WHAT?
...I JOINED THE LEGENDARY SWAN ACADEMY WRESTLING CLUB.
"GET TO IT"?

HELLO EVERYONE...

ROUND 2

MY NAME IS TAMAKO KANEDA.
PLEASED TO MEET YOU!
I'M IN THE WRESTLING CLUB, AND TRY TO DO MY BEST EVERY DAY...


...EVEN THOUGH MY SENIOR TREATS ME LIKE DIRT, AND USES EVERY CHANCE SHE GETS TO COP A FEEL.
IT'S ENOUGH TO MAKE YOU WANT TO THROW IN THE TOWEL SOME-TIMES...

ALL RIGHT...
WELL, ENOUGH SELF-INTRO-DUCTION.
...BUT I'M NO QUITTER!

ROUND 2
WAKE UP!

HUH?
OW, OW, OW...
OW!
...KNOW YOU?
DO I...

TOO MANY BLOWS TO THE HEAD, NO DOUBT...
...BUT THEN, I HAVE A REALLY BAD MEMORY.
YOU LOOK FAMILIAR...
WHO ARE YOU?
THIS IS MOKICHI.
IT SEEMS HE WISHES TO JOIN OUR CLUB.
ALL RIGHT!
I'M GOING TO HAVE AN UNDERCLASSMAN, TOO!
MMMM...
Gopher no more!
.....

THAT'S RIGHT. SHE SAID THAT...BUT SHE CAN'T MEAN...
YOU ARE ALREADY ACQUAINTED WITH TAMAKO, RIGHT?
WELL WHATTA YOU WAITIN' FOR? GET TO IT.
ドドド
OH! RIGHT!
WE HAVE RULES. HE HAS TO GIVE IT A GO ON THE MAT BEFORE HE'S ONE OF US.
LET'S NOT GET AHEAD OF OURSELVES, HMM?
RIGHT!
OH!
DON'T "OH!" ME! ASSUME THE POSITION!
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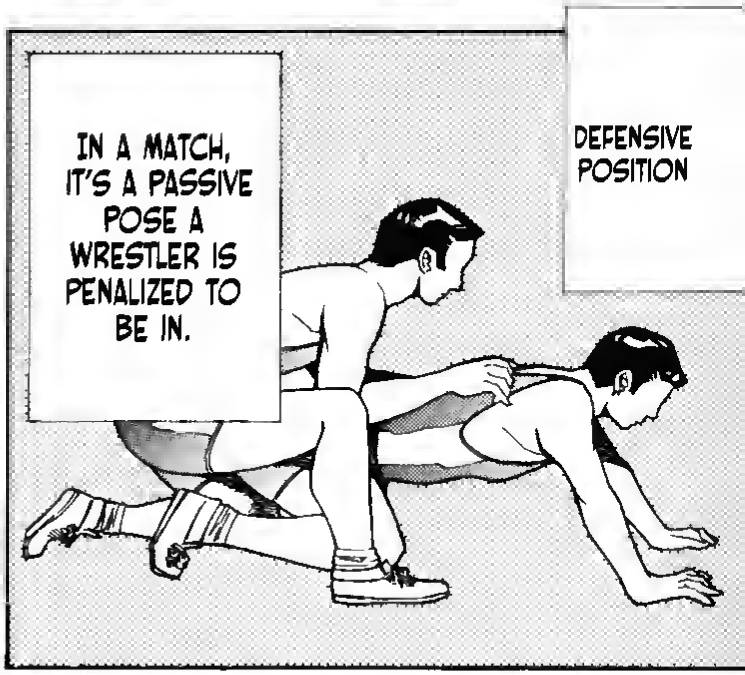
G-GET TO IT?
THANK YOU, GOD!

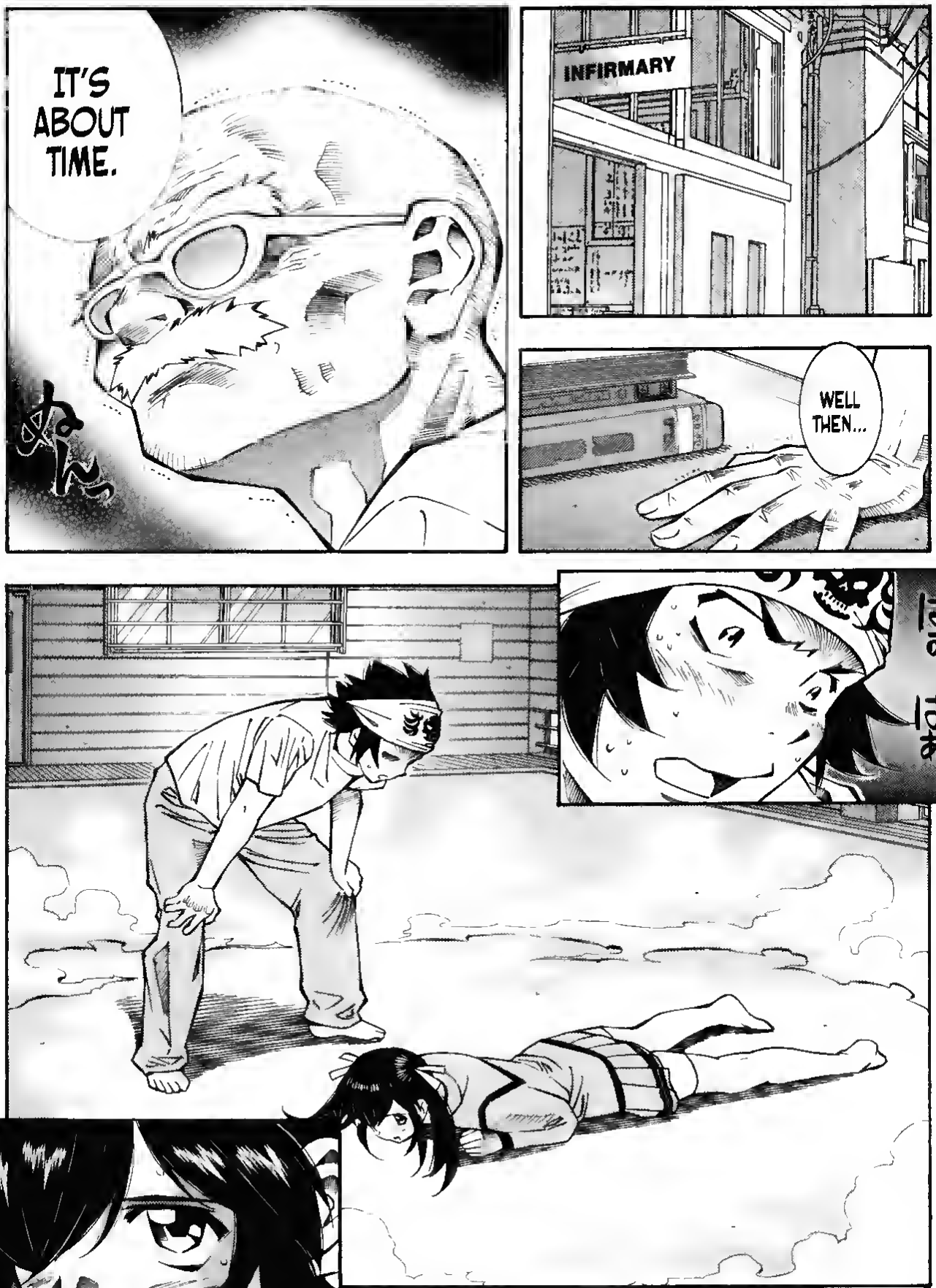
GOODBYE, VIRGINITY, HELLO TUNA TOWN!

SO WIPE THE DROOL OFF YOUR CHIN. IF YOU CAN FLIP TAMAKO OVER ONCE FROM THIS POSITION, YOU PASS.
THAT'S OUR ENTRANCE TEST.
HOPE YOU WEREN'T EXPECTING SOMETHING ELSE...
Nope, I'm cool, it's nothin'...

A WORD BEFORE ALL THE BLOOD RUSHES FROM YOUR BRAIN, NEWBIE.


IN A MATCH, IT'S A PASSIVE POSE A WRESTLER IS PENALIZED TO BE IN.
DEFENSIVE POSITION

BUT I GOTTA BE HONEST, BOY...I DON'T HOLD OUT MUCH HOPE FOR YOU.
LET'S BEGIN, SHALL WE?
WELL THEN...


IT'S ABOUT TIME.
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INFIRMARY
WELL THEN...
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KUA!
UNNGH!
GAH!
UNGH!
UNGHRF!
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EYYYAAAA!

LITTLE GIRL LIKE THAT...BUT SHE'S DEAD WEIGHT, LIKE A FREAKIN' ROCK!
IS THIS FOR REAL?
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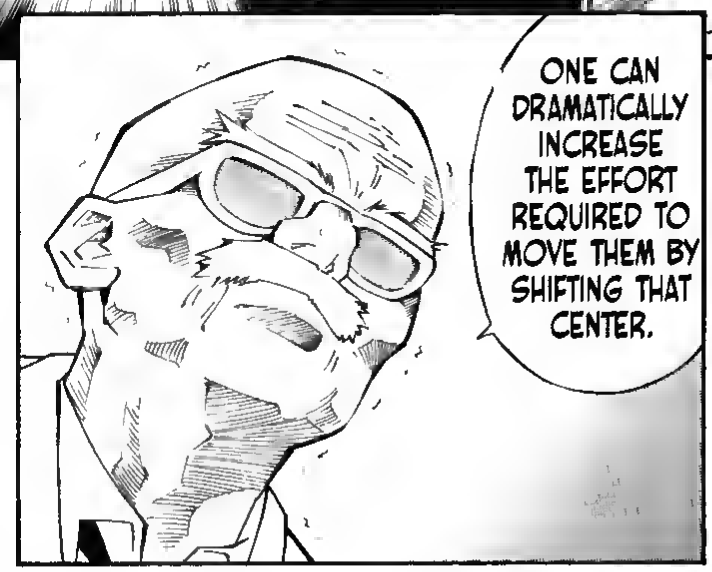
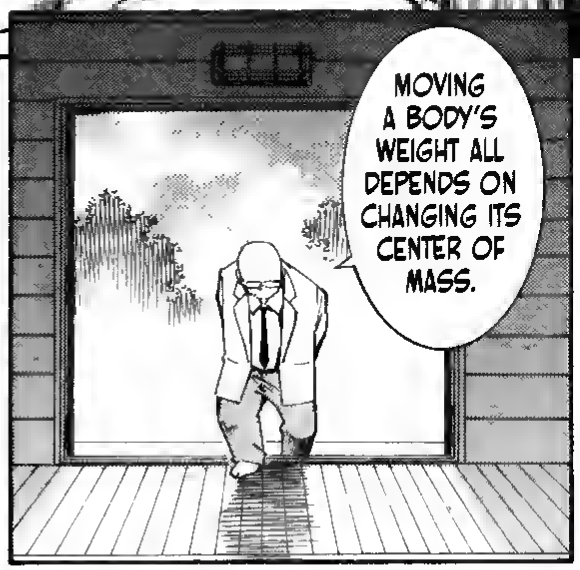
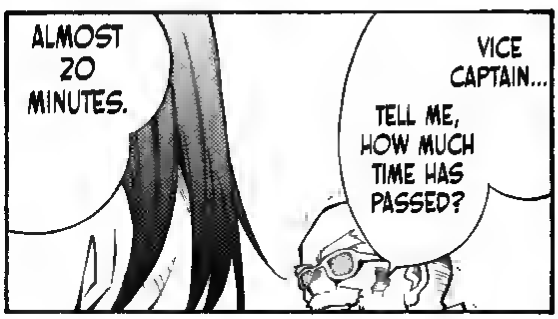

ONE CAN DRAMATICALLY INCREASE THE EFFORT REQUIRED TO MOVE THEM BY SHIFTING THAT CENTER.


MOVING A BODY'S WEIGHT ALL DEPENDS ON CHANGING ITS CENTER OF MASS.


VICE CAPTAIN... TELL ME, HOW MUCH TIME HAS PASSED?
ALMOST 20 MINUTES.

THE OLD MAN FROM THE INFIRMARY...
TONDEMON-SENSEI!
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I'VE TOLD YOU, YES? WRESTLING IS THE WORLD'S STRONGEST ART.

HMM...
EVEN NATIONAL LEVEL COMPETITORS WOULD BE BREATHING HARD AFTER FIVE MINUTES.

SIX... SEVEN... EIGHT...
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ろぉーく
GAH! YOU JUST SAID 20 SECONDS!
WHA?!
YOU NEVER SAID ANYTHING ABOUT A TIME LIMIT!
COME ON, THERE ARE ONLY 20 SECONDS LEFT!
GUH...
UNNGHF!
FOUR... FIVE...
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...DO SOMETHING... BUT-WHAT?
SHIT! I HAVE TO...
HEE HEE!
YOU KEEP IT OUT IN THE SUN LIKE THIS, MAYBE IT'LL GROW! TEE HEE!
SHIT...
LOOKS LIKE THE "BIG MAN" ON CAMPUS IS ANYTHING BUT!
EWWW! SKID-MARKS!
OH YUCK! YOU CAN SEE HIS WHOLE... Y'KNOW, PLACE!

TWO... THREE...
...NOW!
I HAVE TO DO SOMETHING...
I'M SORRY...
WHAT?!

WAIT...!
NO!
NOW!
GYAAAH!
WHAT ...?

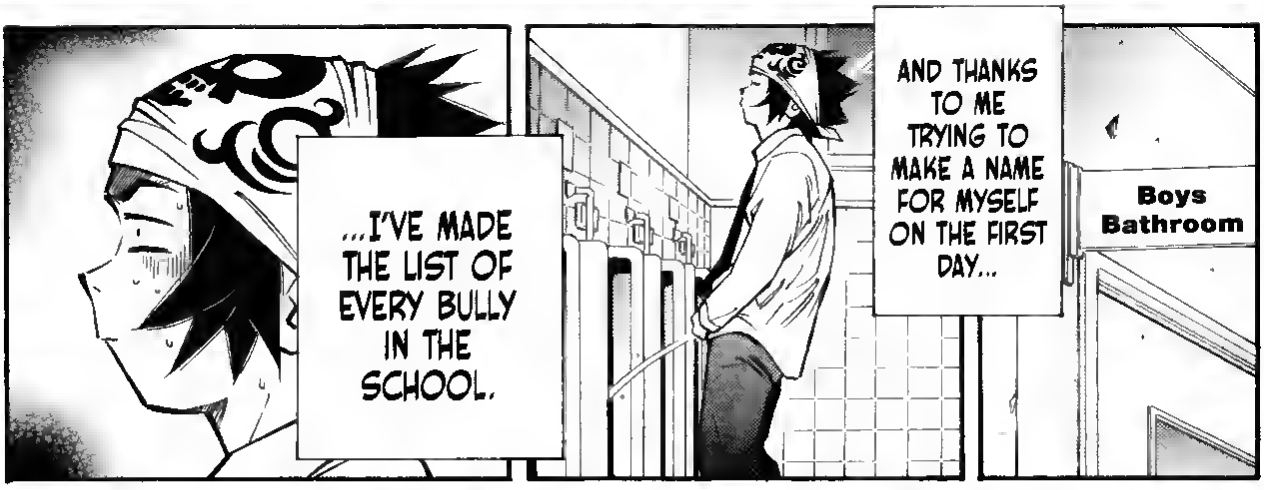
HA!
ドゴッ

OH!
THAT WAS HARDLY FAIR PLAY.
TRUE. BUT WAS IT NOT YOU...
...THAT SAID, "ANYTHING GOES"?
WELL, TECHNICALLY... BUT...

NO BUTS. HE IS IN.
HE SUCCEEDED, EVEN IF IN A RATHER... UNORTHODOX WAY.
UGH...
トン トン
UGH...
WE'LL SEE HOW LONG HE LASTS.
PORTRAIT OF SWAN ACADEMY FRESHMAN SAITOU MOKICHI. THIS DAY HAS SEEN HIM UNCONSCIOUS AND INCONTINENT TWICE...
YES...HOW LONG HE LASTS, INDEED...

MY NAME IS SAITOU MOKICHI. I SUPPOSE I'M THE PROTAGONIST IN THIS STORY.
HEY, EVERYBODY.

ROUND 3


...I'VE MADE THE LIST OF EVERY BULLY IN THE SCHOOL.
AND THANKS TO ME TRYING TO MAKE A NAME FOR MYSELF ON THE FIRST DAY...
Boys Bathroom

STILL, YOU HAVE TO BE ON YOUR TOES EVERY SINGLE SECOND, OR SOMETHING BAD COULD HAPPEN TO YOU.
YES SIR... HIGH SCHOOL IS A LOT LIKE PRISON...BUT THANKFULLY WITHOUT ALL THE ASS-RAPE. ♡

ROUND 3

...NOT AS MUCH OF A PUSHOVER NOW!
I'VE BEAT UP KINDER-GARTNERS THAT PUT UP MORE FIGHT THAN YOU.
DAMN...
GUH...
YOU'LL FIND...
I'M...

WHAT'S THAT? SOME KIND OF WRESTLING TACKLE?
LAME!
HUH?!
WRESTLING'S THE STRONGEST!
WHAT?
BUT WITH A DICK SMALL AS YOURS, YOU PRACTICALLY ALREADY HAVE A PUSSY, SO I GUESS YOU'D KNOW, HUH?
WRESTLING'S FOR PUSSIES!
WHO'S STRONG-EST NOW, PUNK?
AGH!

OOOH, LOOK AT THE WRESTLER, MERCILESSLY BEATING THE BOTTOM OF MY SHOES WITH HIS FACE!
HUH?
WHA...?
YOU WERE SAYING SOMETHING ABOUT WRESTLING, BITCH?

YOU... YOU'RE DEAD, WHORE!

AMAZING... WHO IS SHE?
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UH... YEAH...
HEY. YOU ALL RIGHT?
EH...?!
OH, THAT'S RIGHT. YOU'RE OUR NEW KID.
HM? THAT HEAD-BAND...
OOP!
EH?!
THE GIRLS BATH-ROOM IS NEXT DOO--
BUT...
I CAME IN HERE TO TAKE A LEAK!
FOR-GOT...

UH...
?
YOU... YOU'VE GOT...
あ、あ
WHAT THE HELL ?!?

AH... YEAH...
PLEASED TO MEET YOU
WRESTLING CLUB COACH, RENTAROU TAKI

GREAT. GETTING RESCUED BY A GIRL? NOT NEARLY HUMILIATING ENOUGH FOR OL' MOKICHI. NOOO, I HAVE TO BE RESCUED BY LAST MONTH'S "CHICKS WITH DICKS" CENTERFOLD...
ANYWAY, MOKICHI...
YOU'RE A LITTLE YOUNG FOR AMATEUR WRESTLING...
...BUT IT LOOKED LIKE YOU HAD A GOOD IDEA OF THE BASICS SO FAR.
BASICS. YEAH... SURE.
I BASICALLY GOT MY ASS KICKED.
.....
I'M TIRED OF LOOKING LIKE A TOTAL DOUCHEBAG. I'M TIRED OF GETTING MY ASS KICKED!
I WANNA DEFEND MYSELF! I DON'T WANT TO HAVE TO RELY ON FREAKY CROSS-DRESSERS... ER, NO OFFENSE.
?
DON'T MIND ME...I'M JUST... SHIT!
HMM?
WRESTLING SEEMED LIKE A GOOD IDEA...
I MEAN 90% OF FIGHTS END UP ON THE GROUND, SO GRAPPLING IS A GOOD THING TO KNOW...
BUT...
HELL, ON TV IT LOOKS SO COOL, AND GUYS IN, LIKE, PRIZE FIGHTING MAKE IT LOOK SO EASY...
I...I GUESS THAT'S SORT OF WHAT I WAS HOPING FOR.
AH! ♡

PRESIDENT TAKI!
AH! AND MOKICHI-KUN, TOO!
RUNNING THE VICE PRESIDENT'S ERRANDS AGAIN, HMM?
YEAH... HEH.
WELL, IT'S FORTUNATE YOU'RE HERE, TAMAKO.
EH?!
LET ME SHOW YOU SOMETHING, MOKICHI.
THE FASTEST WAY TO END A ONE-ON-ONE FIGHT...
AH...
...IS LIKE THIS!!

UGH...
CA-
CAPTAIN...
.....
AND
THEN...
ROLL!
GYA!
AND MORE
ROLLING...
...AND
MORE...
...
AND
MORE
...
12 POINTS

IT FEELS LIKE SIMULTANEOUS STOMACH AND UTERUS CRAMPING!
AMAZING... AMAZING ROLLING, CAPTAIN!
ガシッ
WELL...
YOU'VE GOTTEN BETTER, TAMAKO.
HUH?!
B... BUT...
I WON'T LOSE SO EASILY!

MEN AND WOMEN SHARE CERTAIN TENDER SPOTS.
THE ANUS AND RECTUM, FOR EXAMPLE.
HOW-EVER..
THERE-FORE...
...WHEN USING THIS TO ITS MAXIMUM EFFECT, MOVING SOMEONE BECOMES...
AAH... AGH!
EEK!
...ALL TOO EASY!

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SIGH...
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WHAT... WHAT THE HELL...
UH!
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...ARE GOING TO STOP WHINING, AND START TRAINING. HARD.
WANTING TO "LOOK COOL" IS NOT GOING TO GET YOU ANYWHERE IN WRESTLING. DETERMINATION WILL. PUSHING YOURSELF TO THE BREAKING POINT...AND THEN BEYOND.
GOT IT?
...YOU...
SO IN ORDER FOR US TO DETERMINE YOUR LIMITS...
AH...
GOOD DAY, MOKICHI.
HARD...?
THAT'S RIGHT.

PUSHING MYSELF...
...PAST THE BREAKING POINT?
HO HO HO HO!
JEEZ, GRAMPS!
WAH!
GIVES YOU A GOOD FEELING, DOESN'T IT?
BUT WHY WAS TAMAKO BEATEN UP?
AND WHY DOES CAPTAIN TAKI DRESS LIKE A GIRL?
WHAT THE HELL IS WRONG WITH THESE PEOPLE?
WHAT HAVE I GOTTEN MYSELF INTO?
ROUND 3/FIN

PUSH MYSELF...
...TO MY BREAKING POINT...
...AND BE-YOND.
OH SHIT!
TAMA-CHAN, ARE YOU OKAY?
HEY! YOU ALIVE?!
HO HO HO!
WHAT'S SO DAMN FUNNY, GRAMPS?
HO HO HO!
THIS REMINDS ME OF THE TIME...
WHA?
AH YES... JUST ABOUT ONE YEAR AGO NOW, IT WAS...
WHAT WAS I SAYING?
.....

ROUND 4

I'M LATE!
WAAAAAH!
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PAPA, COULDN'T YOU HAVE WOKEN ME UP?
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IT'S AN IMPORTANT DAY, TOO!
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I'M GO--
TAMAKO.
WHAT IS IT, PAPA?

WATCH OVER THIS FOR ME, AND THINK OF YOUR MOTHER WHILE YOU HAVE IT.
TAMAKO.
TH... THIS IS...
THAT'S RIGHT...
THAT'S THE GOLD MEDAL YOUR MOTHER GOT AT THE INTERHIGH COMPETITIONS, WHEN SHE WAS IN THE SWAN WRESTLING CLUB.
SAI!
.....
ER... TAMAKO...
THANK YOU, PAPA...
AREN'T YOU FORGETTING YOUR SKIRT?
AH!
OOH, I AM SOOOO LATE!

I CAN'T MISS IT!
I CAN'T BELIEVE I'M LATE FOR MY SCHOOL ENTRANCE EXAM!
NOOO!
ET TU, FATE?
DUE TO AN ACCIDENT, TRAIN SERVICE HAS BEEN DELAYED INDEFINITELY...
NO CHOICE... GOTTA...
I WON'T MAKE IT IN TIME!
WHAT DO I DO, WHAT DO I DO?

RUN!
HUFF... HUFF...
KYAA!
IT'S ALMOST 20 KILOMETERS TO THE ASSEMBLY HALL FOR THE TEST...AND AN HOUR BEFORE THEY WON'T LET ME IN.
IF I CAN KEEP THIS PACE... I SHOULD MAKE IT!

OW, OW, OW, OW, OW!
NO USE. THIS OUTFIT'S SLOWING ME DOWN.
OW...
OH!
IF I DO THIS...

ALL RIGHT... LESS FRICTION, LESS DRAG...HERE WE GO!
YEAH!
EAT THAT, BITCH!

MEBBE NOW, MOKICHI, YOU DO WHAT YOU'RE TOLD, YUH?
REAL TOUGH GUY...
UGH...
UGH...
HEY...
THAT'S NOT FAIR!
ドガッ
OH!
I...I'M SORRY...
I CAN'T.. NOT NOW...

HERE COMES THE PAIN TRAIN, BEEYATCH!
SEVEN ON ONE, EH? BAD ODDS. FOR YOU.
GAAH! MY FUCKIN' ARM!

...YOU GONNA DIE!
YOU CRAZY BITCH...
WHAT THE...?
YOU...

HOLY --!
SHE'S... AMAZ-ING...
ALL RIGHT, LISTEN UP!
THIS IS YOUR ONLY CHANCE TO WALK AWAY...
OH, GREAT...
THE TIME!
WAH! OH NO OH NO!
GONNA CUT YOU, WHORE...
OH, BABY... ONLY FOUR INCHES?

AND NOW YOUR BRA...
HEH HEH!
MAMA'S GOLD MEDAL!
GONNA CUT YOUR TITS OFF...
HEY!
MAMA'S ...
...MEDAL!
HOW DARE YOU?!

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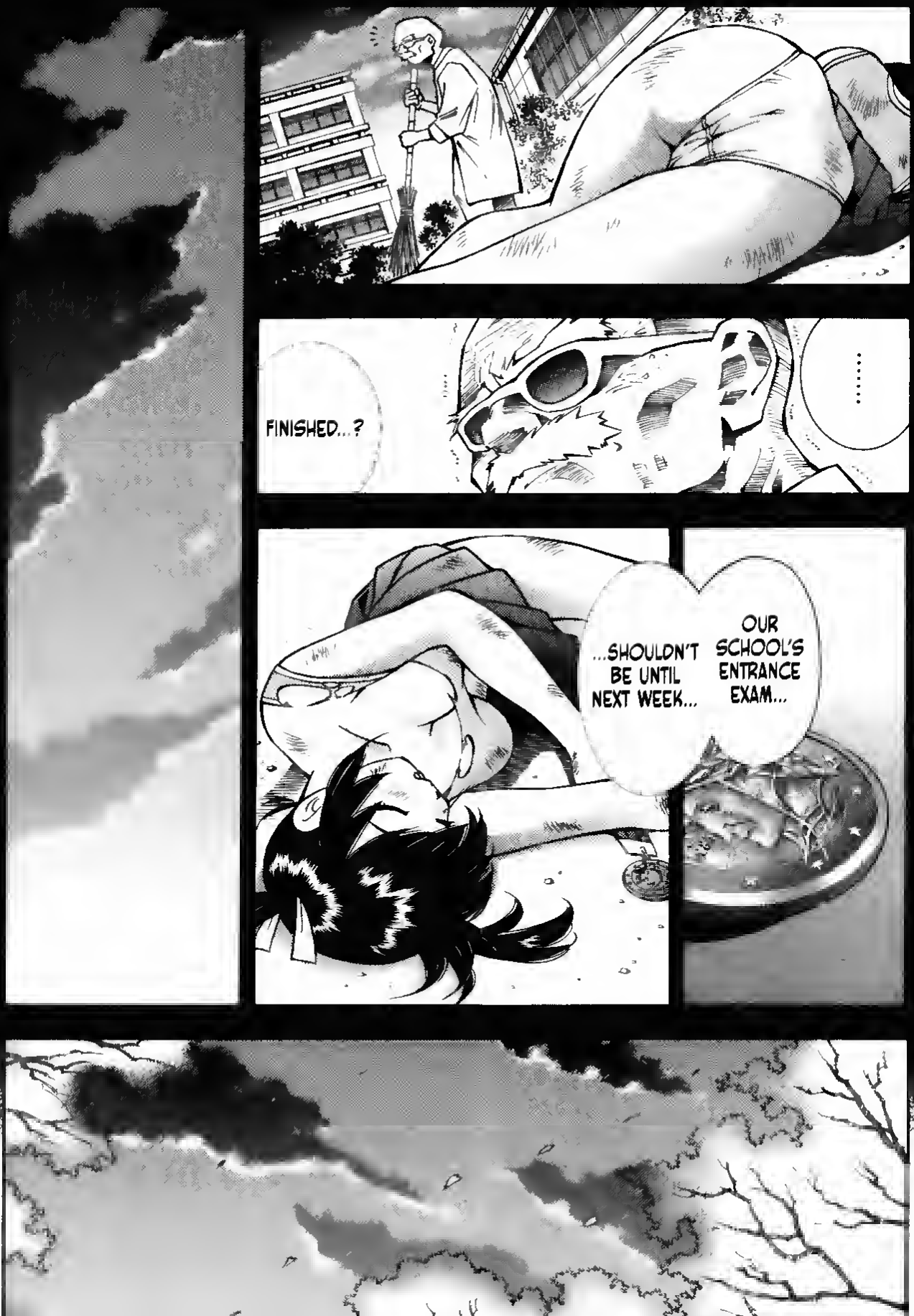
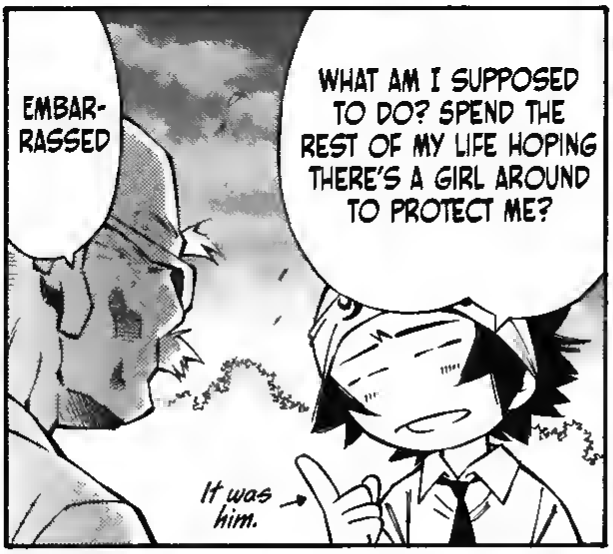
IT CAN'T BE...
NO...

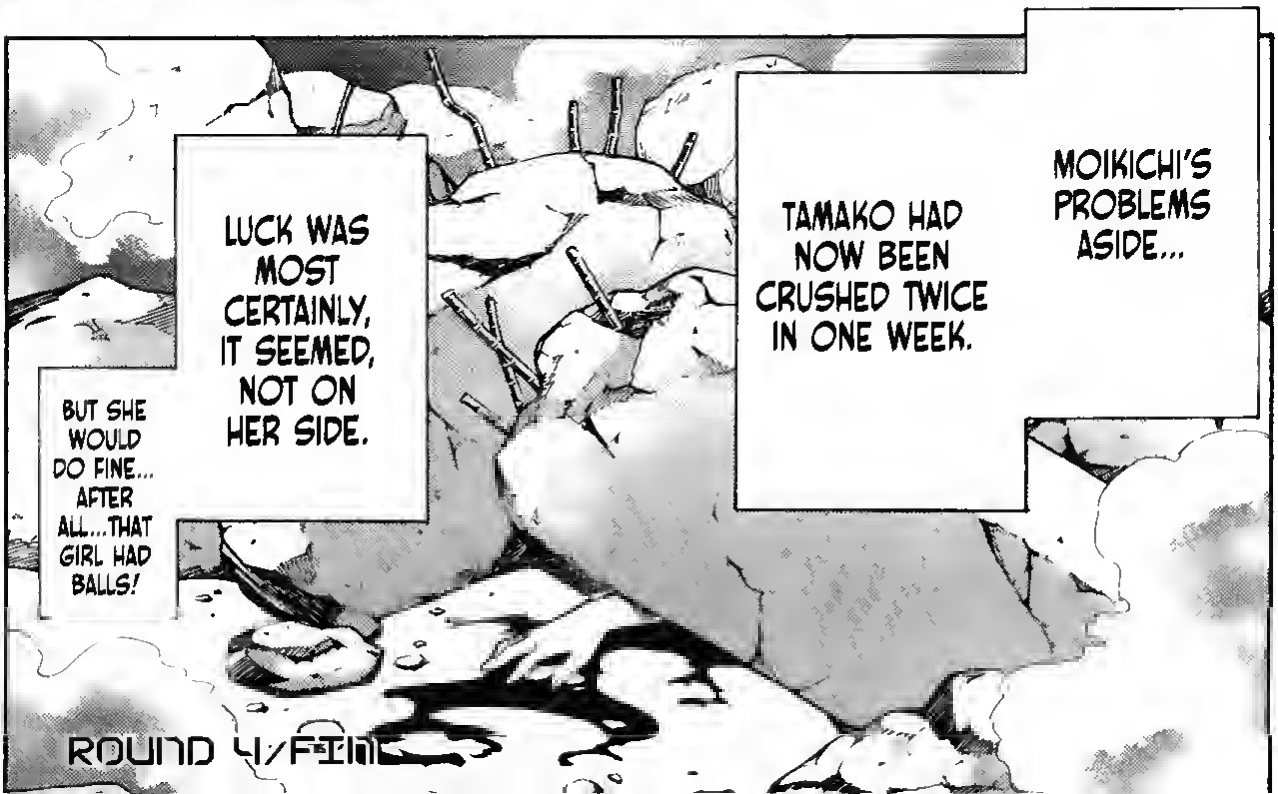

FINISHED...?
.....
OUR SCHOOL'S ENTRANCE EXAM...
...SHOULDN'T BE UNTIL NEXT WEEK...

SHE KICKED THOSE GUYS' ASSES SO EASILY...
IT WAS SO FUCKING COOL!
GR-AMPS...

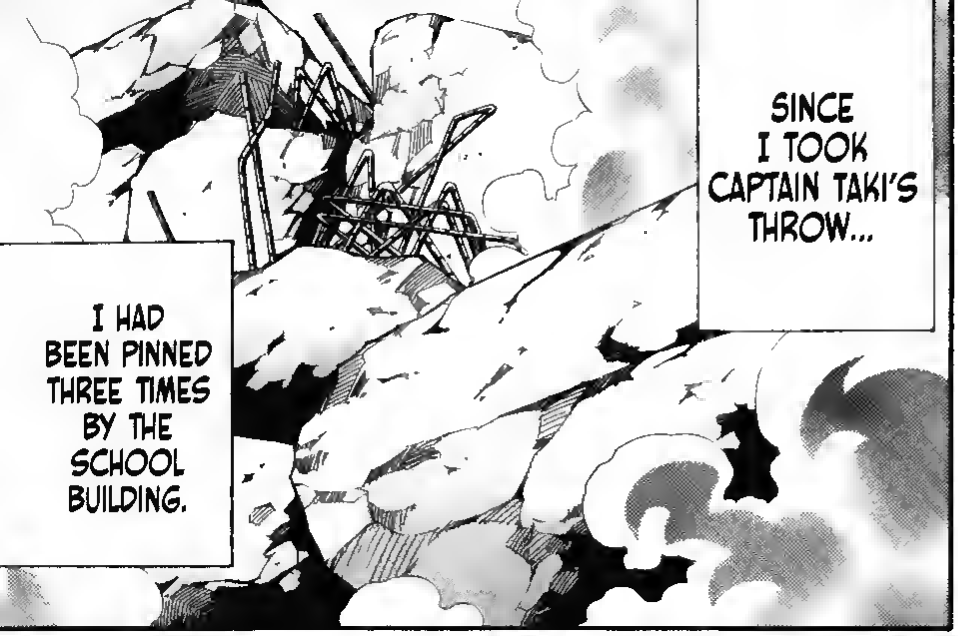
SO THAT'S HOW I FOUND HER...
AMAZING...

HO HO HO!


EMBAR-RASSED
WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO DO? SPEND THE REST OF MY LIFE HOPING THERE'S A GIRL AROUND TO PROTECT ME?
It was him.

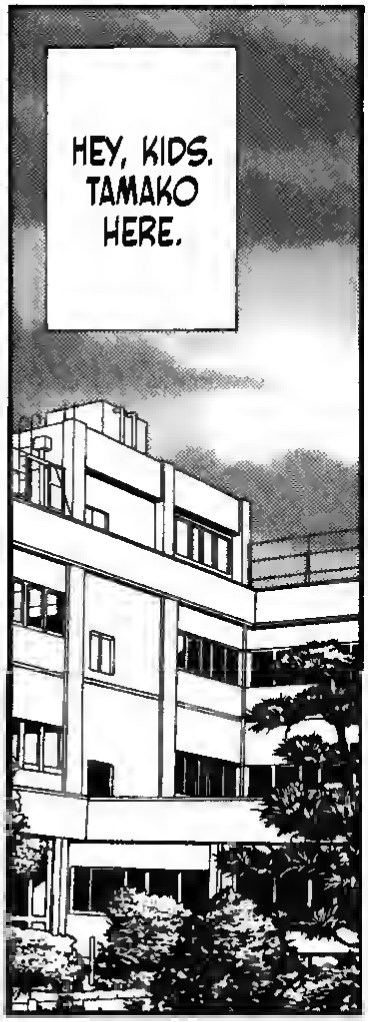

MOIKICHI'S PROBLEMS ASIDE...
TAMAKO HAD NOW BEEN CRUSHED TWICE IN ONE WEEK.
LUCK WAS MOST CERTAINLY, IT SEEMED, NOT ON HER SIDE.
BUT SHE WOULD DO FINE... AFTER ALL...THAT GIRL HAD BALLS!

ROUND 4/FIN


I HAD BEEN PINNED THREE TIMES BY THE SCHOOL BUILDING.
SINCE I TOOK CAPTAIN TAKI'S THROW...

WHAT DO YOU MEAN YOU'RE LOSING INTEREST?

ROUND 5


HEY, KIDS. TAMAKO HERE.

...BUT IT'S NOT LIKE I HADN'T GIVEN ENOUGH FAN SERVICE TO KEEP YOU HOOKED!
I MEAN, I KNOW THE STORY WAS KIND OF CONVO-LUTED AND CONTRIVED...

ROUND 5
TAMAKO KANEDA, KINTAMA FOR SHORT... 16 YEARS OLD...
HER DAYS WERE FILLED WITH THE LOVE OF WRESTLING.

WHAT?
IF THIS BOOK LOSES ITS FAN SERVICE, THERE'S NO SAVING IT!
DON'T COUNT HER OUT YET! HELP ME!
COME ON GRAMPS!
I MOURN YOUR PASSING...
HEY! COME BACK!
HO HO HO HO...
GOING HOME
OLD PEOPLE ARE SO USELESS!
DAMN IT...

YOU TOOK CARE OF SOME OF MY FELLOW KARATE CLUB MEMBERS, RIGHT?
TIME TO TEACH YOU A LESSON.
FUNNY.
C'MON... AREN'T YOUR KNUCKLES GETTING SORE FROM ALL THIS?
AW, NO...
AH...

...SO I GUESS YOU'LL HAVE TO DO.
MAYBE... BUT YOU'RE HERE, AND SHE'S NOT...
HEY, THAT WASN'T ME! IT WAS TAKI!
NOW YOU'LL SEE...
...THAT KARATE IS THE STRONG-EST FIGHTING ART!
WHAT'CHA DOIN'?
I THOUGHT I HEARD THE SOUNDS OF LITTLE BOYS AT PLAY.

VICE CAPTAIN!
HI... HIGUCHI...
OH, SH--
HEY, MOKICHI, YOU KNOW WHERE TAMAKO IS?
THAT GIRL HASN'T COME BACK WITH THE POCARI I SENT HER TO BUY.
VICE CAPTAIN!
THIS IS NONE OF YOUR CONCERN, HIGUCHI...

I KNOW THIS GUY'S IN YOUR WRESTLING CLUB AN' ALL...
...BUT YOU JUST LEAVE HIM TO US.
GOOD GIRL, HIGUCHI.
EH?
DAMN.. WHERE'S SHE GET OFF TO...
EH...AH... W...WAIT...
GOING HOME
WHAT DID YOU SAY?
WHATEVER. I DON'T KNOW HIM.
NOW YOU JUST GO HOME...
...AN' PRACTICE YER LITTLE WRASSLIN' MOVES. LEAVE THE REAL FIGHTING TO THE MEN.
THAT'S WHAT I THOUGHT.
YEAH...
I LIKE A WOMAN THAT KNOWS HER PLACE.

LET'S ROCK.
H- HOW ...?
F- FIRE!
DOES THE MACHO ACT MAKE IT FEEL BIGGER, SOMEHOW?
TELL ME, BOY...
MAYBE AFTER I WHUP THAT ASS, I'LL SHOW YOU!
?!
AFTER ALL, YOU'RE PROBABLY PACKIN' AS MUCH HEAT AS ANY OF US, YOU DYKE.
MAYBE I SPOKE TOO SOON ABOUT FIGHTIN' BEIN' MAN'S WORK.

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WHAT A... ....GIRL...
YOU'RE SINGIN' IT...
...BUT I DON'T SEE YOU BRINGIN' IT.
I WONDER HOW IT WOULD LOOK WITH MY FIST IN IT?
QUITE A MOUTH YOU HAVE ON YOU.

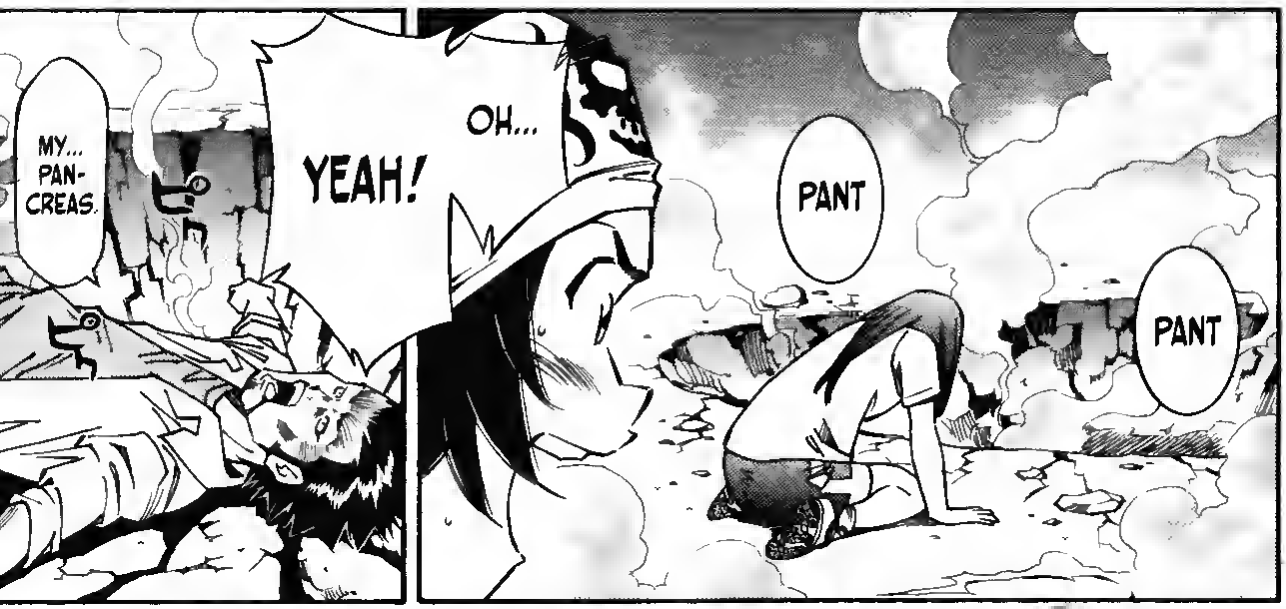
UNGH...
BASTARD! THAT'S CHEAP!
KIIAAAH!
UGH!
NO...
YEAH? YER NEXT, CREAM-PUFF!
HYAH!
HIAAH!

...ALWAYS COME UP A LITTLE SHORT.
JUST LIKE I'VE HEARD...YOU KARATE CLUB GUYS...
DON'T WORRY, BABY.
YOU'LL FEEL ME...
HEH.
HOLY SHI--
?!
HYAH!!
STEA-DY...

NOW IT'S... EVEN...
HEH...
TAMA-CHAN!
NOW, VICE CAPTAIN!
?!
GOOD NIGHT...

...BELLY TO BACK SUPLEX!!
ATOMIC THUNDER REVOLUTION ...

TOKYO SUBURBS


MY... PAN-CREAS.
YEAH!
OH...
PANT
PANT

HIGU.. CHI...
GOOD...
YOU'RE GOOD...
AAH! GRAMPS!
SPEC-TACULAR.

YOU... REALLY ARE... STRONG.
BUT YOU'LL NEVER BE...HAVE A CHANCE. OUR NUMBERS ARE TOO...GREAT.
YOU'RE CRAZY... CAUSE YER DEAD.
AN' YOU KNOW IT.

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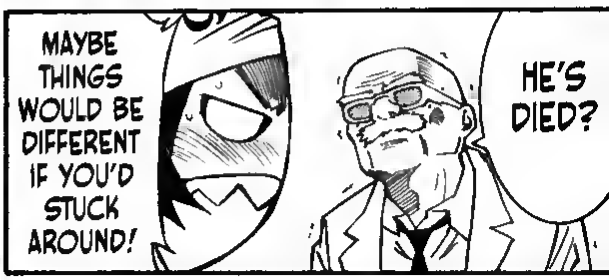
VICE CAPTAIN...
NICE ONE!

AAGH...
WHILE YOU... CAN!
ENJOY YER VICTORY...


MAYBE THINGS WOULD BE DIFFERENT IF YOU'D STUCK AROUND!
HE'S DIED?

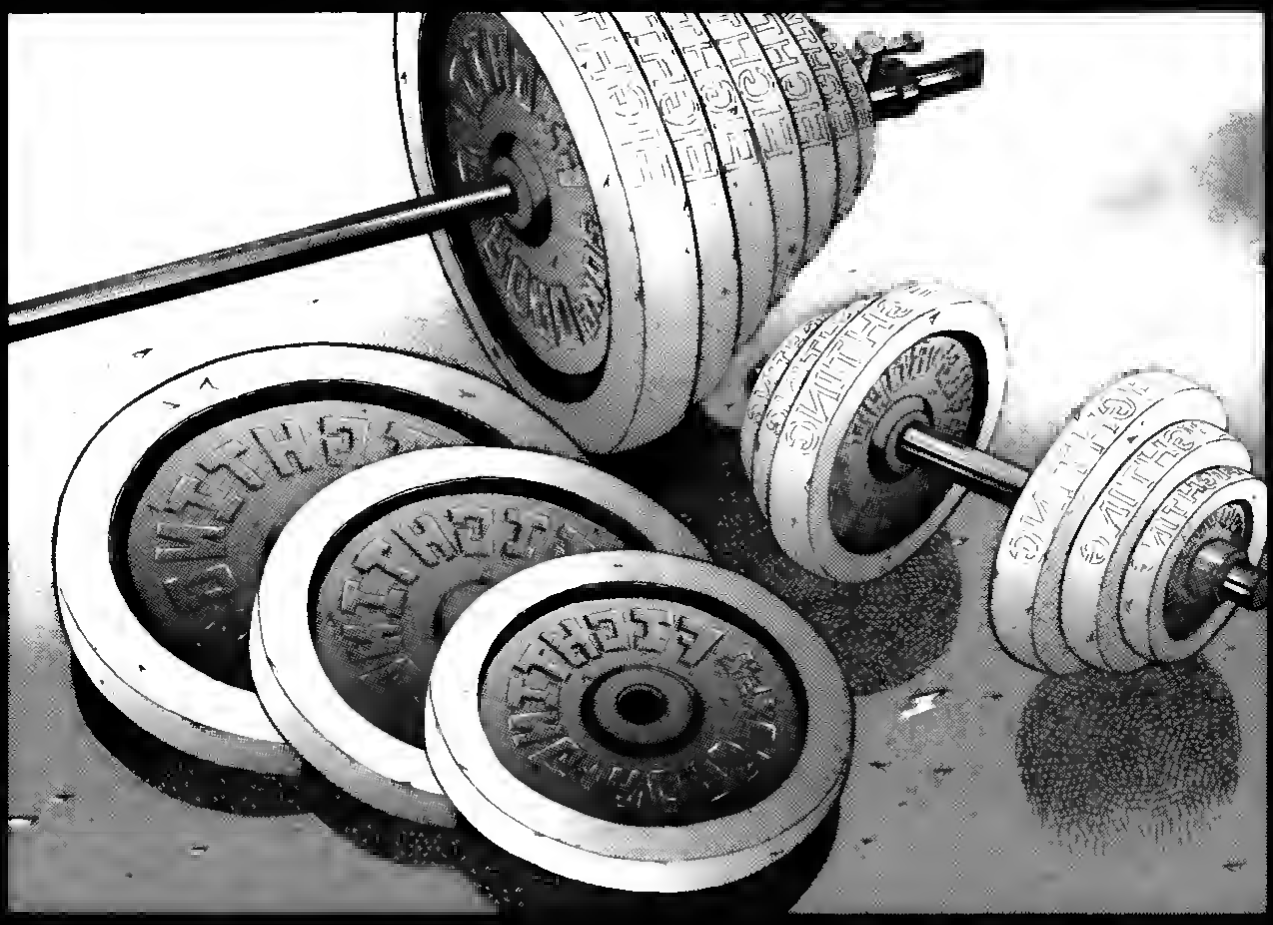
.....
YOU LITTLE SHIT!
WHERE THE HELL WERE YOU? HOW LONG ARE YOU GOING TO MAKE ME WAIT FOR THAT POKARI?!
DON'T SMILE AT ME!

HEH! ♡

HO HO HO HO!
CUT IT OUT! SHE'S INJURED!
LITTLE DID I KNOW...
HEH HEH.
...MY FEELINGS OF VICTORY WOULD BE SHORT-LIVED.
HEH HEH HEH...
BATTLE CLUB, EH...?
SOME MAJOR COMPETITION WAS ABOUT TO WALK INTO MY LIFE ON TWO LONG LEGS...
(MEANINGLESS PANTY SHOT)
I'LL LET YOU KEEP LAUGHING FOR NOW...
BUT IN THE MEANTIME, THE READERS COULD AT LEAST ENJOY A LITTLE FAN SERVICE...

I'M MOKICHI, AND I GUESS I'M WHAT YOU'D CALL "THE PROTAGONIST."
ROUND 6
I'M THE ONLY GUY IN A WRESTLING CLUB OF ALL GIRLS. I JOINED BECAUSE IT SEEMED LIKE THE STRONGEST CLUB...BUT I'LL ADMIT...
...SPENDING THREE HOURS WITH YOUR HEAD IN A TEENAGE GIRL'S LEGLOCK AIN'T TOO BAD A WAY TO PASS THE TIME.
ESPECIALLY CONSIDERING THOSE LITTLE SCHOOLGIRL OUTFITS MOST OF 'EM WEAR.
AND THE MOUNTING...MAN, I'D LIKE TO DO A LITTLE EXTRA-CURRICULAR MOUNTING AFTER SCHOOL, IF YA GET MY MEANING.
HMM

ROUND 6



AND THEN THERE'S TAMA-CHAN.
SHE'S SO CUTE...AND THAT BODY! I CAN'T THINK OF A BETTER AFTERNOON THAN A FACE FULL OF HER SWEET...

GROSS! WHAT ARE YOU, LIKE A HUNDRED AND EIGHTY?
SO GENTLE, IT'S LIKE A SPRING BREEZE.
SUCH A BITTER-SWEET-LIKE AND MELLOW FRA-GRANCE.
Lhn Lhn
TAMAKO'S UNIFORM
GAAH!
NOT RIPE YET, I'M AFRAID.
...WILL YOU RIDE ME?
HUH?!
MOKICHI-KUN...
NOT RIPE YET...
thn
thn
LESSER PANDA (RACCOON FAMILY) LIVES IN WESTERN CHINA

IN ORDER TO WRESTLE, IT IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT TO TRAIN THE MUSCLES OF THE NECK.
IF YOU TRAIN THOSE MUSCLES, YOU NOT ONLY PROTECT YOURSELF FROM INJURY, YOU WILL ALSO BE WELL PREPARED FOR NECK THROWS.
ALSO, IF YOU WRESTLE AND ARE UNABLE TO PERFORM THE BRIDGE, YOU WILL FACE IT WHAT WILL SEEM LIKE EVERY DAY.
YOU MUST NOT NEGLECT YOUR NECK. IT IS THE LIFE OF A WRESTLER.
THE TIME WILL COME WHEN YOUR OPPONENT WILL AIM FOR A FALL, IN ORDER TO PROTECT YOURSELF, OF COURSE, THE BRIDGE...
SHUT UP!

I'M TRYING TO... CONCEN...
OH MY GOD... TAMA-SAN IS SO CUTE...
SO SOFT?! SHE SMELLS SOOO GOOD.
YOU'RE AMAZ-ING...
TAMA-CHAN...
AAH!
GAH!
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
HO HO HO!

HO HO HO!
?
I'LL.. BE BACK. GOTTA TAKE CARE O' SOME-THING...
TILT
ROCK TURTLE (ALL THROUGHOUT JAPAN)

.....
Boys Bathroom
I CAN'T BE GETTING CAUGHT UP IN THIS HORMONAL FOG! I HAVE TO STAY FOCUSED! STUDY HARD! WELL, SO TO SPEAK...
WHAT AM I DOING?
BLOOD... RETURNING TO BRAIN...
OH GEEZ...
A SMOKE AFTER RUBBING ONE OUT
KIAI!
POND TURTLE (FOUND THROUGHOUT JAPAN)

DAMN IT, YOUR KIAI ARE LACKING!
DON'T BE DISTR-ACTED!
GAH!
ALL RIGHT, THEN...
YOU WANNA LOSE TO THOSE WEAKLINGS IN THE WRESTLING CLUB?!
SH.. SHIBA-SAN... YOUR PANTIES... THEY'RE SHOWING.

THERE IS A GOD...
LET'S LOSE THE DISTRACTION THEN, I'LL TAKE THEM OFF!
IF YOUR CONCENTRATION CAN BE DERAILED BY A LITTLE PEEK OF PINK, THEN YOU'RE ALREADY BEATEN!
IN BATTLE THERE WILL BE DISTRAC-TIONS!
HEY, SAVE THAT FOR LATER, BABE.
I'VE NEVER WANTED TO BE BEATEN SO BAD...!!
HA!
SHOULDN'T YOU BE LICKING YOUR WOUNDS AFTER THE ASS-WHUPPING HIGUCHI GAVE YOU?
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
I'M TRAPPED IN HERE WITH THE WHOLE KARATE CLUB!
NO GOOD NO GOOD NO GOOD...
DICK.
.....

HYAH!!
SHIBA.
YOU'RE OUTTA YOUR FUCKIN' MIND IF YOU THINK I'LL LET YOU TAKE MY PLACE IN THIS CLUB.

SLOW.
C'MON, BOY...
...YOU'LL EMBARRASS US BOTH.
HYAAAAH!

I WOULDN'T HAVE BELIEVED IT IF I HADN'T SEEN IT MYSELF, BUT SHIBA'S BLOW SENT THE GUY REELING...
ガガガガガガ
HER POWER SEEMED EQUAL, IF NOT SUPERIOR, TO ANYONE IN THE WRESTLING CLUB!

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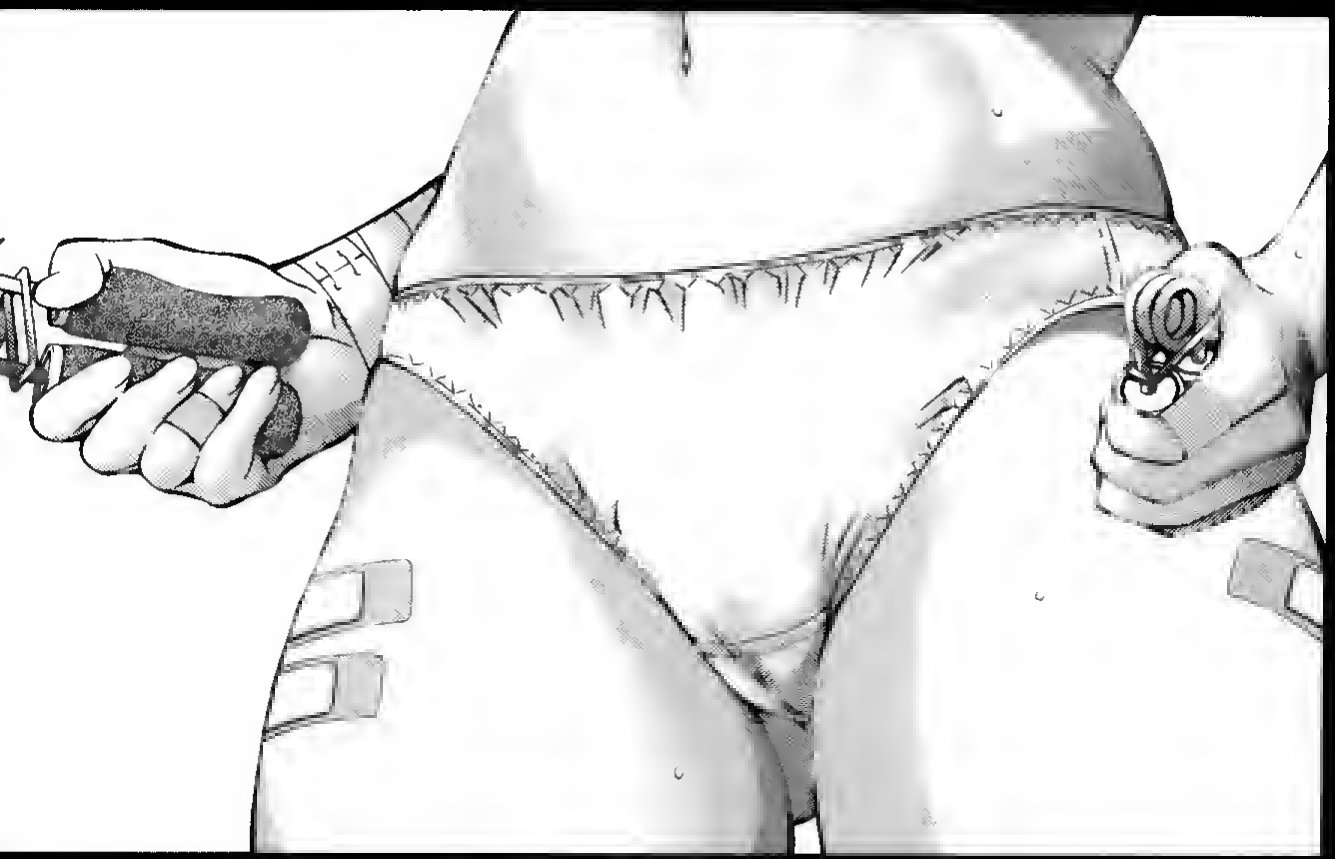
AND SO HOT!
SO POWER-FUL!
ALL RIGHT, DOGS!

TAKI, HIGUCHI, KANEDA, AND THAT LITTLE WUSS WITH THE BANDANA... ALL ARE FAIR GAME!
AS OF NOW, I AM IN CHARGE...AND AS OF NOW, WE ARE AT WAR WITH THE WRESTLING CLUB!
DO I MAKE MYSELF CLEAR?!
THEN BRING ME THEIR HEADS!
OH SHIT... I GOTTA WARN THE OTHERS...

WHO'S THERE?
NO DOUBT ABOUT IT...
...GOD HATES ME!
SHIT!
HE REALLY, REALLY HATES ME.
CRAMP!
LEG CRAMP!
HO HO HO HO!

ROUND 7



I AM SO SCREW-ED...
WHO'S THERE?
NO GOOD NO GOOD...
ER... MEEEEEE-OOOWW!
STUPID! WHY THE HELL WOULD A CAT BE IN THE BATHROOM?!
A DOG?
WHA?!

WOOF.
EEEE!
JUST AS I THOUGHT. THE WRESTLING CLUB'S LITTLE LAPDOG...
WAAH!
I WAS RIGHT! A WORTHLESS CUR!
NOPE...
WAH?
THIS IS PRIVATE!
NOT HERE EITHER...
MOKICHI-KUN, YOU'VE BEEN IN THE BATHROOM A LONG TIME. ARE YOU ALL RI--
HMM...

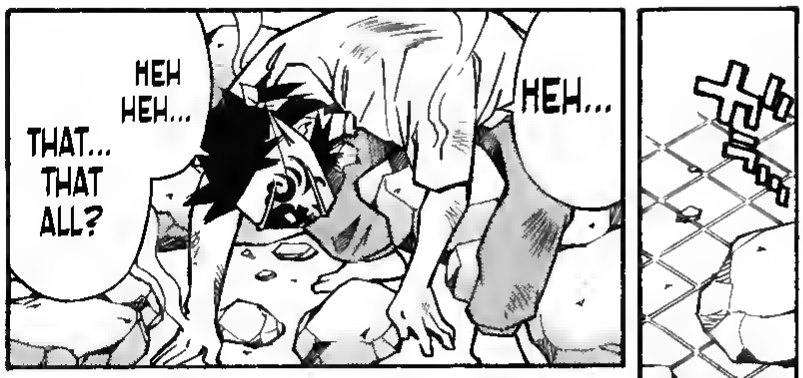
KIAI!

GIRL...
OH, NO... TAMA-CHAN...

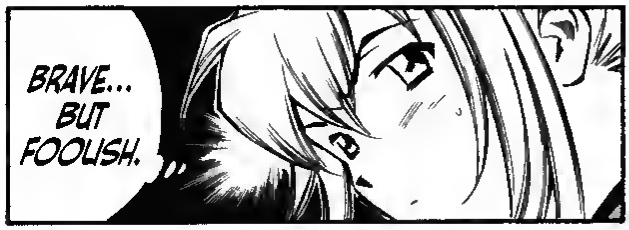
YO!
LET'S GO GET THE GIRL.

YOU SHOULD HAVE PICKED A STRONGER DISCIPLINE, BOY!
ALL TOO EASY.

I'M STILL STANDING...
BUT...
.....
YOU'RE STRONG, I'LL GIVE YA THAT...
Y...
W...WAIT!
...BUT I'VE TAKEN HARDER ARMBARS FROM SOME OF THE WRESTLING CLUB.
YOU THINK YOU'RE SOMETHING SPECIAL...
AUGH!
GUAH!
AGH!


HEH HEH...
THAT... THAT ALL?
HEH...

HEH...
WHAT A DIPSHIT.


BRAVE... BUT FOOLISH.

AH!
MOKICHI-KUN, I FOUND YOU!

MOKICHI-KUN, WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
I'VE BEEN LOOKING ALL OVER FOR YOU!
TAMA-CHAN... RUN...
GET AWAY...
...BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE!
WHAT'S GOING ON?
NO! TA-- TAMA-CHAN!
KANEDA...
HEH...
HEH HEH HEH...
EXCEL-LENT.
YOU SAVED ME THE TIME OF HUNTING YOU DOWN.
AS THANKS, I'LL MAKE THIS QUICK!
?!
OH NO! THAT'S...

KIAAAH!
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WHAT THE...
?!
IMPOSSIBLE!
TO JUST BLOW OFF THE FORCE OF MY SUDAN...
WHAT IS THIS?
WHA...
?
THIS CAN'T BE...
COME ON MOKICHI-KUN, IF WE DON'T COME BACK RIGHT NOW, THE VICE CAPTAIN WILL BEAT US UP FOR SURE!

YAAAAA!
KARATE'S KIAI IS THE STRONGEST! WRESTLING IS...
WAH! TAMA-CHAN! LOOK...
KYAAAH!
HEEAAHH!
KYAAAAHHH!!
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Y-YEAH...LET'S GET GOING...
HOW?! MY STRIKE WAS PERFECT!
HOW CAN YOU STILL BE STANDING?!
I HAVE NO CHOICE...
IMPOS-SIBLE!
I THINK WE BETTER GO...
ARE YOU QUITE FINISHED?
...BUT TO UNLEASH MY FULL POWER...
私に気合いを!!
KA--
ME--
HA--
MEE--
WHA... WHAT'S THAT?
ズズズ
GRAMPA IN HEAVEN...
GRANDMA...
AND MY NEIGHBOR WHO DIED LAST YEAR...

THE TORTOISE FISSURE CANNON: A FORBIDDEN TECHNIQUE WHERE ONE SUMMONS ALL OF THEIR KI AND UNLEASHES IT AS AN ENERGY PROJECTILE...
HO-!
IT IS FORBIDDEN BECAUSE IT IS EXTREMELY DANGEROUS TO BOTH ITS TARGET... AND ITS CASTER...

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TOKYO SUBURBS
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HUFF

HUH?
WHA?!
ドロ…
NO…
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…FUCKIN'… WAY!
はぁ
WHY….
W- WATCH OUT!
ガ!!
WHY DOESN'T IT AFFECT HER?
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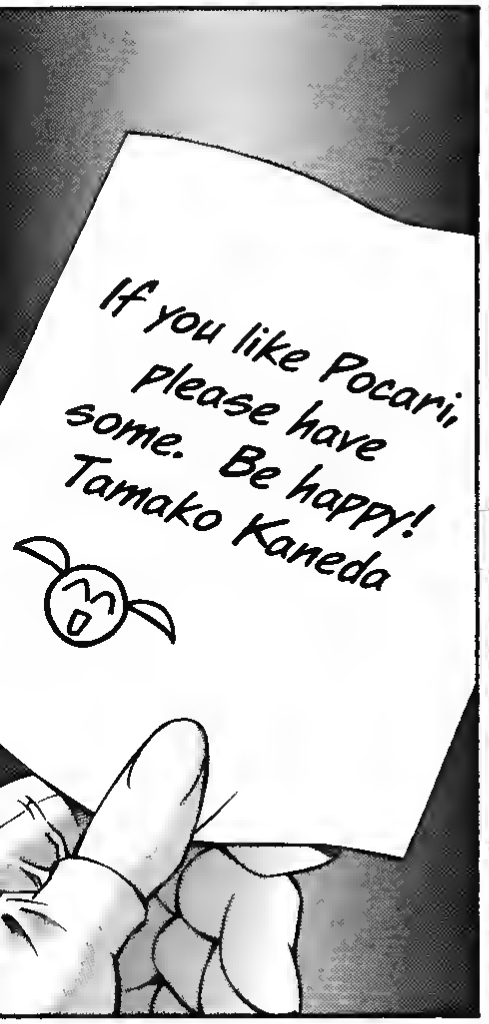
INFIRMARY
WAAA!
ZE. SHARISHI. ZESHOHOUKUUSOU. FUSHOU FUMETSU. FUKU FUJOU. FUZOU FUGEN. ZEKO KUUCHUU. MUSHIKI MUJUU SOUGYOUSHIKI. MUGEN NI BI ZESSHIN'I. MUSHIKI SHOUKOUMI SOKUHOU. MUGENKAI NAISHI--
KANJIZAI-BOSATSU. GYOUJIN HANNYA HARAM-ITTAJI.
ISHIKI. SHIKISO-KUZEKUU. KUUSO-KUZESHIKI. JUSOUGY-OUSHIKI-
UNDO ISSAI KUYAKU. SHARISHI. SHIKI-
COME NOW, DON'T BE SO DEPRESSED OVER YOUR LOSS.
YOU ARE QUITE STRONG...
SH... SHIT...
OH...THAT'S... RIGHT...I USED UP ALL MY KI...
HO HO.
YOU FELL OVER TWENTY METERS, GIRL.
BUT... YOU WERE SLIGHTLY MISTAKEN ON THE MEANING OF "KIAI" AS FIGHTING SPIRIT...

IN MARTIAL ARTS...IT'S INEVITABLE THAT YOU WILL HURT YOUR OPPONENTS.
THEREFORE, IT IS NECESSARY TO BOTH HAVE A HEART TO DEFEAT, AND A HEART TO CARE FOR YOUR OPPONENT.
FIGHTING AND COMPAS-SION.
IF YOU DON'T COMPREHEND THESE TWO HEARTS, YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO DEFEAT YOUR OPPONENT.
HO HO HO!
WHAT THE HELL DOES THAT MEAN?!
IT IS CALLED...
...LOVING SPIRIT, "KIAI"...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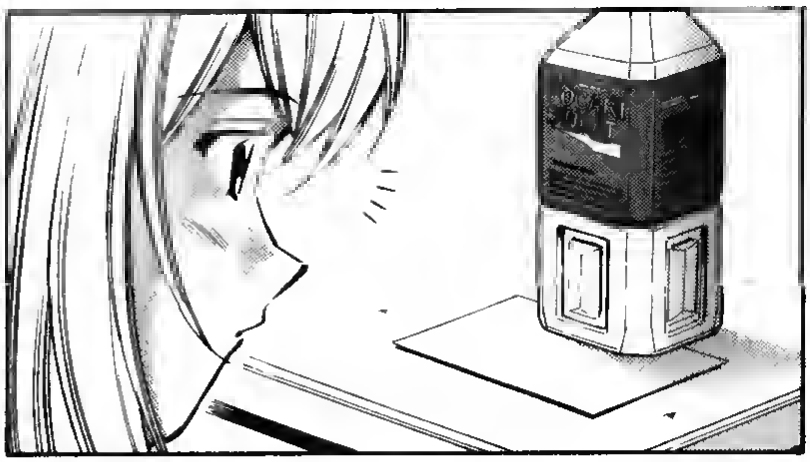
Tamako Kaneda



GIMME MY POCARI!

.....
..."KIAI," LOVING SPIRIT...

ROUND 7/FIN

SHIBA-CHIN.
MEOW!
ROUND8
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WHA?!
WAH!
GIMME SOME LOVIN' SPIRIT PLEASE!
WA... WAIT!
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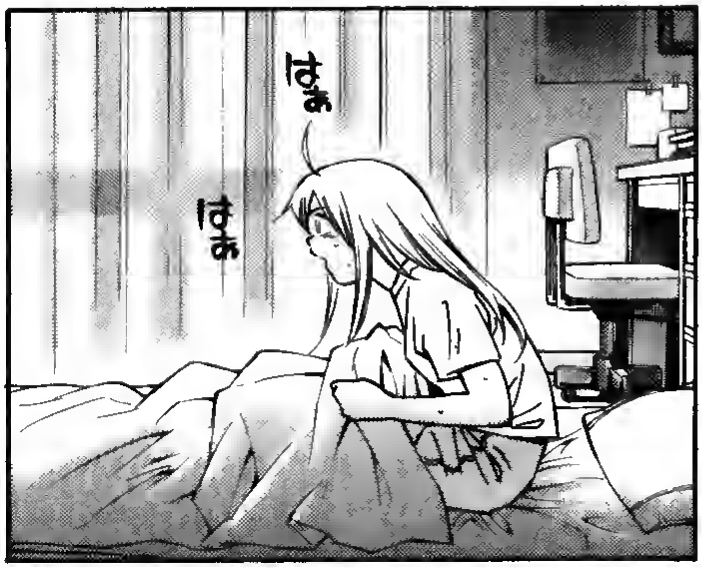
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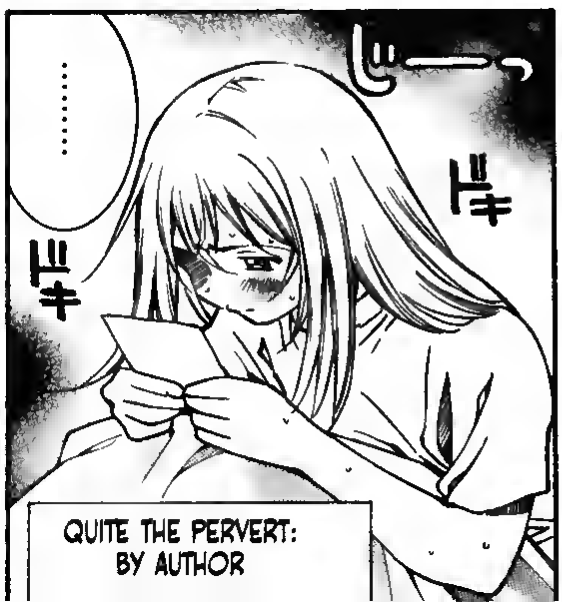
OH GOD... YES! YES!!

...ABOUT KANEDA?
WHY AM I FANTASIZING...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QUITE THE PERVERT:
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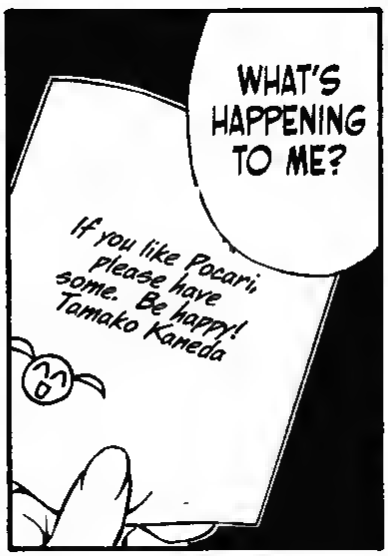
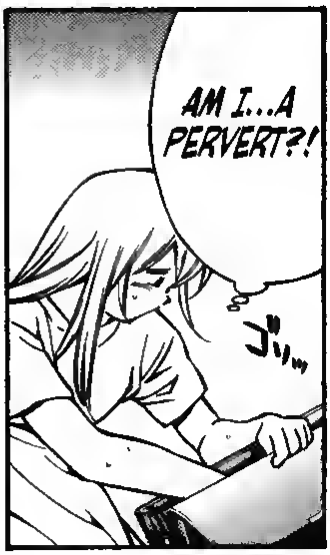

WHAT'S HAPPENING TO ME?
If you like Pocari, please have some. Be happy!
Tamako Kaneda


AM I...A PERVERT?!
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ROUND 8

HAAA!
HA!
HA!
WHEW!
I-I DID IT...
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THE FIRST PACKED LUNCH I'VE MADE SINCE I WAS BORN!
AND I DID IT WITH... LOVING SPIRIT!
LOVE
*玉子
HUH.

*Tamako

WAAAH!
THIS IS... EMBAR-RASSING!
WAY TOO EMBAR-RASSING!
IN ANY CASE...
I CAN'T GO BACK TO THE KARATE CLUB WITHOUT AT LEAST SAYING THANK YOU...
SHE'S GOT IT BAD.

T... TAMAKO!
Good morning!
Morning, Tamako!
AH!!
ビュウ
HUH?
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SHE'S GOT IT REAL BAD...
PANTIES...
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OOH, IT LOOKS DELI-CIOUS!
THANK YOU SO MUCH!
LOVE
五子
JUST HERE TO RETURN A BOTTLE OF POCARI...
CASUAL.. BE CASUAL...
スリング部
バトル・クラブ
HOW CAN I REPAY YOU?
I KNOW! SHOULD I FEED YOU SOME?
WHAT'S THIS?
SHIBA-CHIN?
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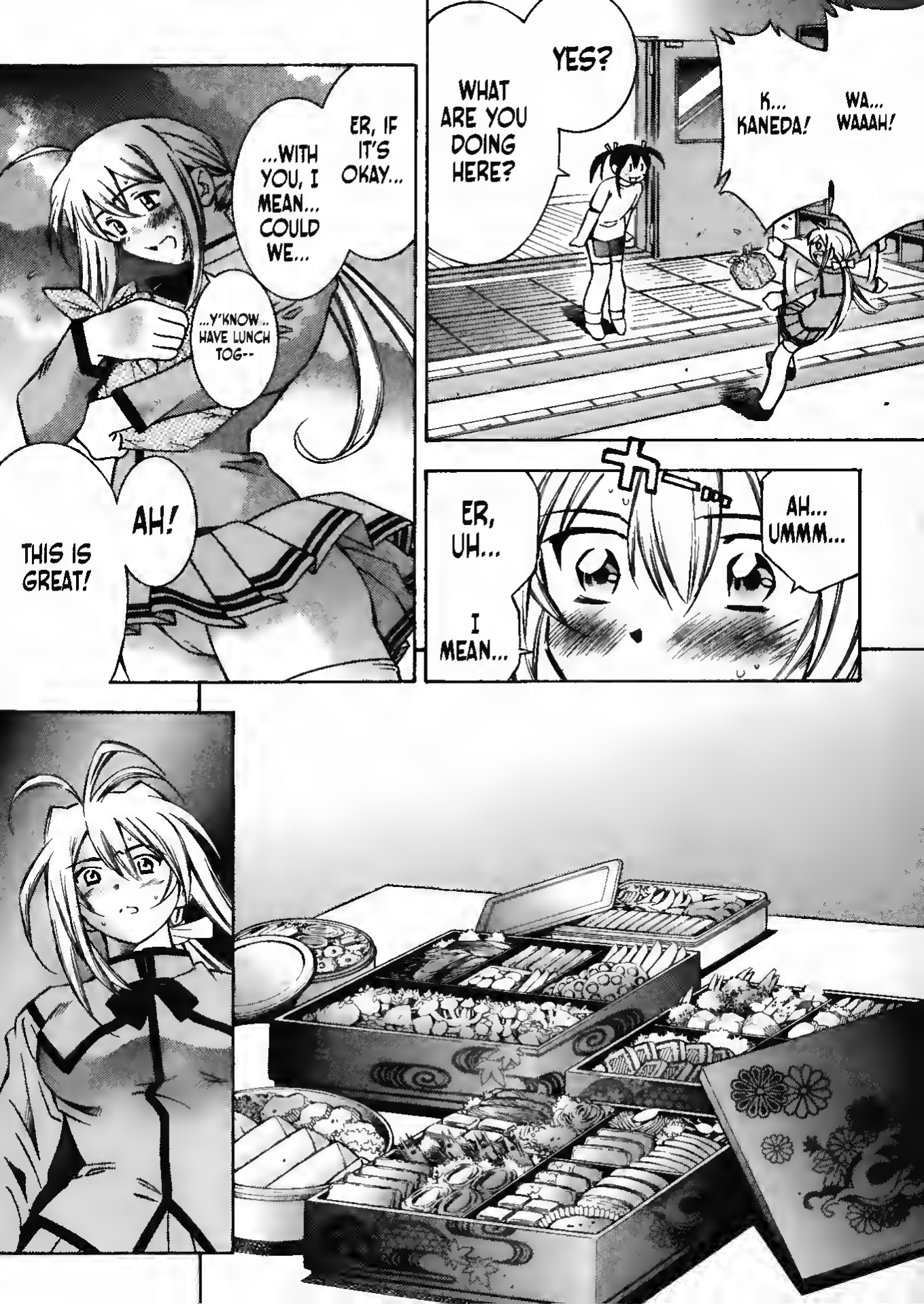
17-YEAR-OLD VIRGIN GIRL, IMAGINATION RUNNING WILD


WA... WAAAH!
K... KANEDA!
YES?
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
AH... UMMM...
ER, UH... I MEAN...
ER, IF IT'S OKAY...
...WITH YOU, I MEAN... COULD WE...
...Y'KNOW... HAVE LUNCH TOG--
AH! THIS IS GREAT!

BUT HE MAKES SO MUCH, WE CAN'T FINISH IT!
MOKICHI MAKES THIS FOR US EVERY DAY!
HEY! WHAT IS SHE DOING HERE?
YOU COULD AT LEAST TRY TO LOOK LIKE YOU REALLY MEAN IT!
YOU'RE TEASING ME!
IT'S PROOF OF MY LOVE FOR YOU, TAMAKO!
DID YOU SEE WHAT I MADE?
LOOK!
玉子
AH! SHIBA-CHIN!
HUH?

MAKING HER LUNCH... WHAT WAS I THINKING?
LETTING MY FANTASIES RUN AWAY WITH ME...
I...I'M JUST BEING STUPID.
?!
BASTARDS...
WHAT?
I HAVE ORDERS FROM THE TOP FOR YOU.
RYOU-TAROU SHIBA.

IN REGARDS TO YOUR UNAUTHORIZED FIGHT WITH THE WRESTLING CLUB...
...AND IN LIGHT OF YOU USING THE "KAMEHAMEHOU," WHICH IS FORBIDDEN, AND FOR DAMAGING THE SCHOOL...
...NOT TO MENTION YOUR STUNNING LOSS TO TAMAKO KANEDA...
...YOU ARE HEREBY EXPELLED FROM KARATE CLUB.
E-EXPELL-ED?!
THAT'S RIDICU-LOUS! I'M THE SECOND IN--
HA!
YOUR TIME...
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CAN'T EVEN BACK UP THEIR WORDS...
SCREW IT. I WAS GOING TO QUIT THE KARATE CLUB ANYHOW.
DAMN!
LOOK WHAT THEY MADE ME DO...!
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AAH!
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UR...
KA-KANEDA? WHEN DID...?
THE HIDDEN FLAVOR OF SAND...LITTLE GRITTY...BUT GOOD...
A GENTLE, YET FULL FLAVOR, AND NOT THE LEAST BIT OVERPOWERING. IT'S LIKE A SPRING BREEZE CROSSING A FIELD.
MM... DELI-CIOUS!

TADA! STILL LOOKS GREAT...
NOW, LET'S GO BACK AND HAVE A NICE LUNCH!
NOW... UPSIE-DAISY.
GATHER IT ALL TOGETHER AND...
OKAY? ♡
Like a mountain of corpses...
Wh- what's this?

ACK!
IDIOT!
DON'T GET THE WRONG IDEA!
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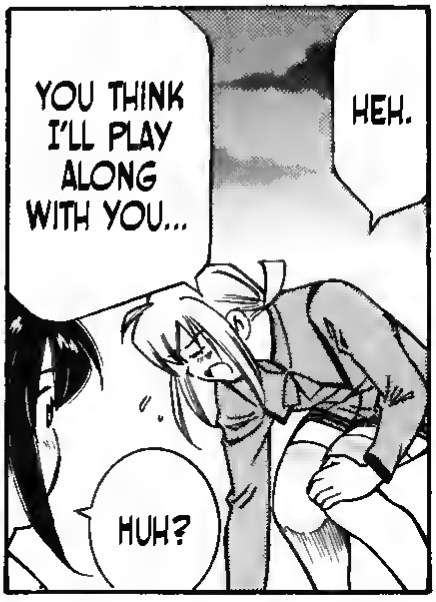
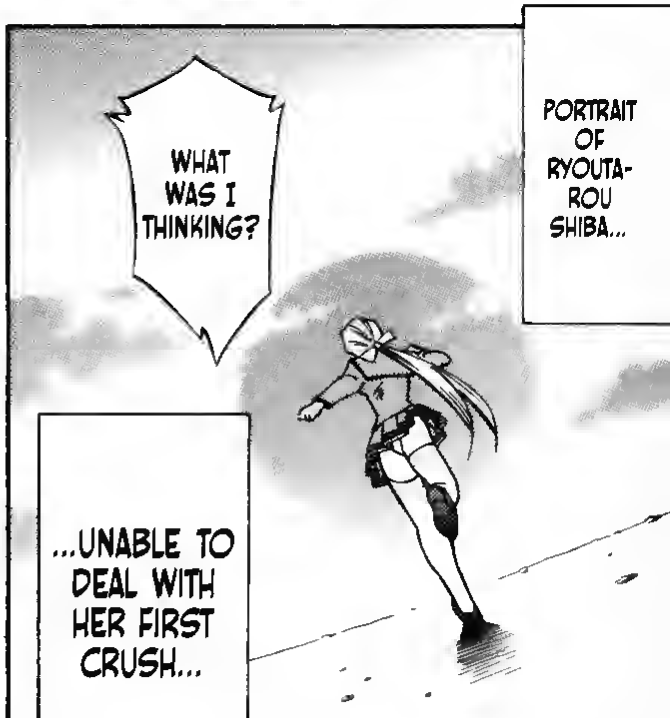

YOU THINK I'LL PLAY ALONG WITH YOU...
HEH.
HUH?

WHY'D SHE RUN AWAY?
...?

HEY? WHAT'S YOUR PROBLEM?
Pam

Ah! Ow!
WHY DIDN'T I GET A TURN!


WHAT WAS I THINKING?
PORTRAIT OF RYOUTA-ROU SHIBA...
...UNABLE TO DEAL WITH HER FIRST CRUSH...

WHOA!
HI EVERYONE! IT'S TAMAKO KANEDA!
TODAY, AS PART OF A TRADITION OF THE WRESTLING CLUB, WE'VE COME TO A TRAINING CAMP AT THE BEACH.
THE OCEAN... SO BIG... SCARY...
PERSONALLY, I THINK IT'S TERRIFYING.
MOKICHI DOESN'T REALIZE IT'S GOING TO BE A LOT OF HARD WORK...
yay! Ocean!
HO HO HO! ENJOY IT WHILE YOU CAN!
RIGHT, TAMA-CHAN?
AHH! IT FEELS GREAT OUT HERE!

■ ROUND 9 ■

ROUND 9

WHAT CONNECTION DOES SWIMMING IN SHARK-INFESTED WATERS HAVE WITH WRESTLING?
Swimming prohibited
Shark danger
SPECIAL SWIMMING TRAINING?! ARE YOU SHITTIN' ME?!
UH... NEVER MIND!
HUH?
AH... I... UH...
WHERE'S YOUR SWIMSUIT?
AND YOU, TAMA-KO...
GRANITE THE STRONGEST OF THE PLUTONIC ROCKS, AND PROUD OF IT.
AAAAH!
NO COM-PLAINTS!

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.....
THINK ABOUT BASEBALL.
BLOOD... LEAVING BRAIN...
PERVERTS
WHAT KIND OF IDIOT WOULD SWIM HERE?
WA...WAIT UP. IT'S STILL EARLY SUMMER, THE WATER'S STILL COLD, AND IT LOOKS LIKE THERE ARE SHARKS!
IF YOU DON'T MAKE IT, YOU'RE DOING 10,000 PUSH-UPS!
TIME LIMIT, 30 MINUTES!
ROUND TRIP TO THAT ISLAND!
EEP!
ALL RIGHT, COME ON...
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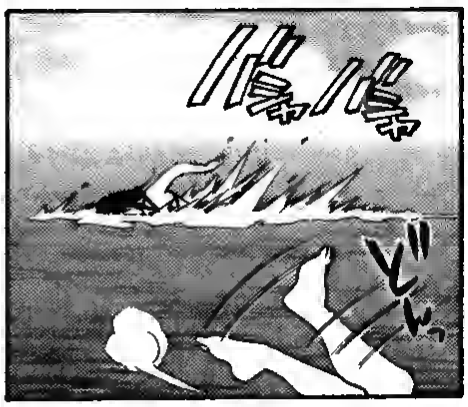
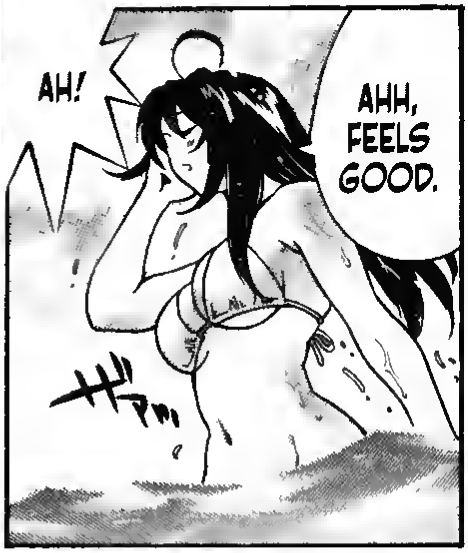
YO!
WAH!




AH!
AHH, FEELS GOOD.

CAPTAIN TAKI?!

NO BIG DEAL.
I'M GOING BACK TO THE INN ANYWAY.
LATER!
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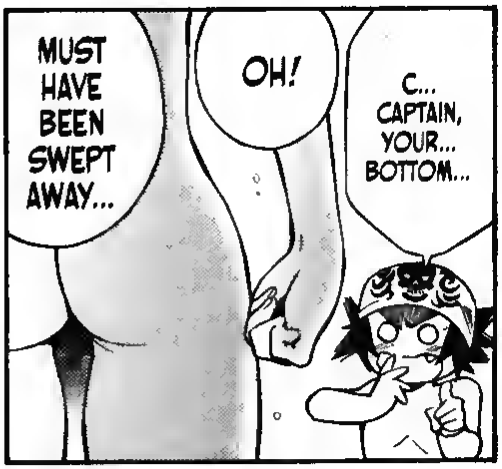
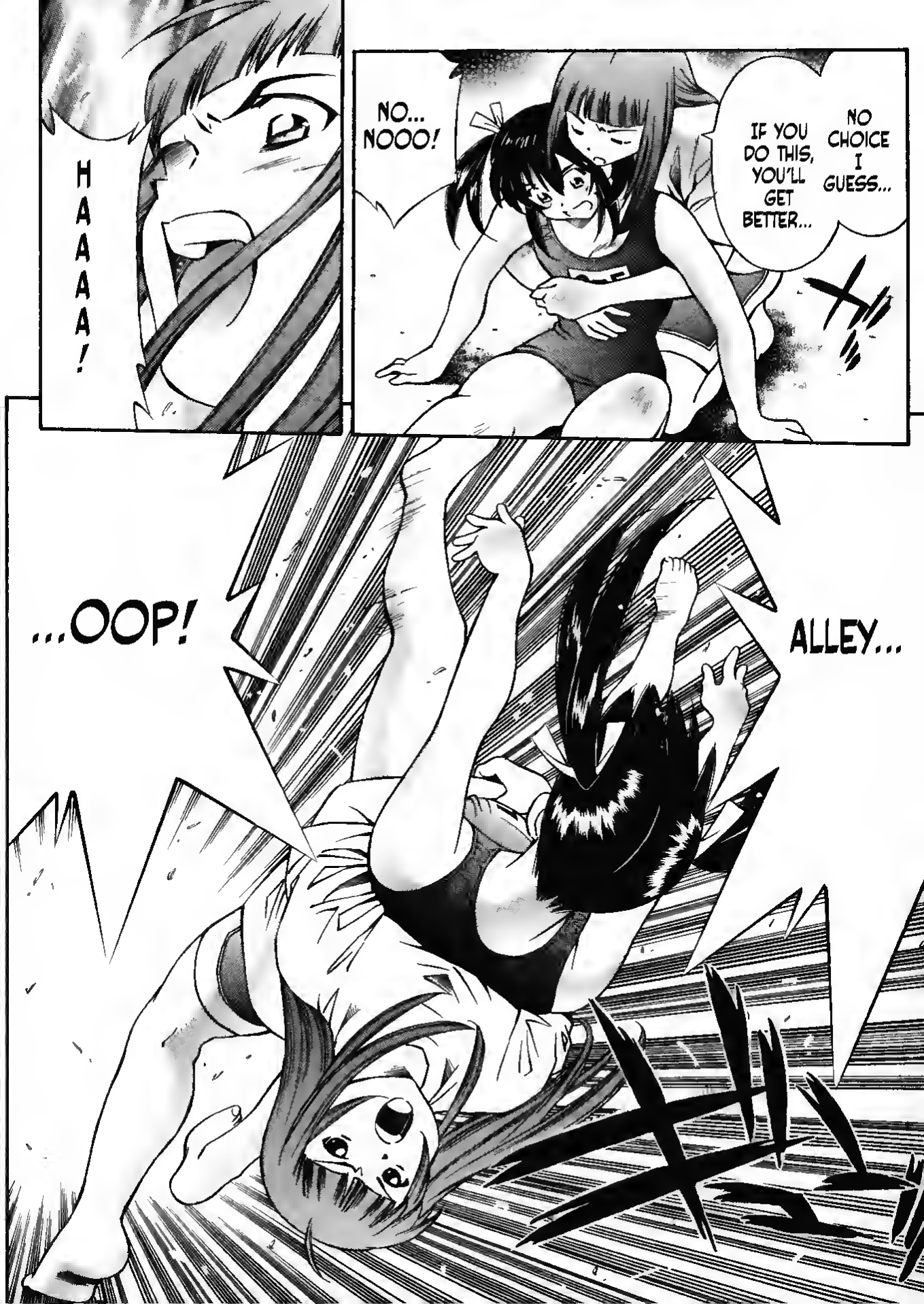

MUST HAVE BEEN SWEPT AWAY...
OH!
C... CAPTAIN, YOUR... BOTTOM...

HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO SWIM WITH THESE WEIGHTS ON?!
HEY!
...SWIMMING IS THE BEST SUITED EXERCISE TO THE TASK.
RECENT SCIENTIFIC STUDIES HAVE CONCLUDED THAT TO BUILD RESILIENT LEGS AND HIPS, AND THE TOUGH LUNGS AND HEARTS THAT WRESTLERS LACK...
THEY DO NOT!
BESIDES, THE WEIGHTS KEEP AWAY THE SHARKS.
SH-SHARK!
AAAH!
SH--
SHARK...?!

GR-GRAMPS!
YOU SWAM PRETTY WELL.
WHEW!
AND SHE WOUND UP SWIMMING AWAY OUT INTO THE OPEN SEA.
LAST YEAR TAMAKO HAD THE SAME SPECIAL TRAINING AS MOKICHI...
WELL, IT CAN'T BE HELPED.
WHAT'S THIS?
TAMA-CHAN, ARE YOU STILL AFRAID?
TEACHER...
AND YOU'RE THE CAUSE!
ONE WEEK LATER, WE FOUND HER ON FATHER ISLAND, IN THE OGASAWARA ARCHIPELAGO...


HAAAA!
NO... NOOO!
IF YOU DO THIS, YOU'LL GET BETTER...
NO CHOICE I GUESS...
...OOP!
ALLEY...

T...TAMA-CHAN!
SHE'S OKAY...
SHE ALWAYS RISES TO THE OCCA-SION.
YOU CALL THIS "RISING TO THE OCCA-SION?" SHE SUNK!
.....
TA... TAMA-CHAN!
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE SEEN TAMA-CHAN LIKE THIS...

I'LL SWIM TAMA-CHAN'S PORTION, TOO!
THEN YOU'VE GOT NO COMPLAINTS, RIGHT?

UGH...
SNAP OUT OF IT! THERE'S MORE TRAINING TO DO!
COME ON!

AH, SO YOU'RE GOING TO RESIST?
W-WAIT!
NO! NO WAY NO WAY!

I LOVE YOU TAMAKOOOO!

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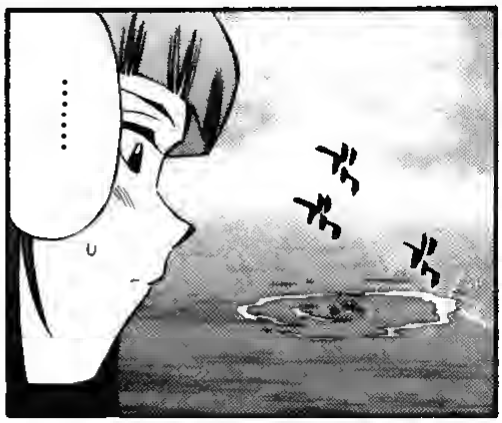
AT LEAST IN MOTIVATION, HE'S GOT YOU BEAT... RIGHT?
WELL WELL...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I'M GONNA DIE!
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GOOOOOO!
BUT THAT TRICK ONLY WORKS ONCE...
NICE TRY GRAMPS.
EH?

MMM. POPSICLE...
THAT OLD MAN CAN REALLY MOVE.
MAN...
.....
HOLY SHIT!
WAIT... IF YOU'RE HERE...
MOKICHI!
SH... SHARK?
MO-KICHI-KUN
EASIER SAID... THAN DONE!
AAH...
TAKE THE WEIGHTS OFF, YOU MORON!
MO-KICHI!

TAMAKO?!
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WHAT SHOULD I DO?
IT'S MY FAULT...
.....
I'M STILL SCARED!
OH SHIT...
OH SHIT...
OH SHIT...
OH SHIT...
OH SHIT...
WHAT WOULD YOU DO AGAINST A SHARK?
YOU FOOL!
LET GO OF ME, TEACHER!
B-BUT...

?!
RUU RU RU...
RUU RU RU...
C-COME NOW...
HERE, SHARKEY-SHARKEY...
RUU RU RU...
WHY ARE YOU MAKING FOX CALLS?
RUU RU RU...
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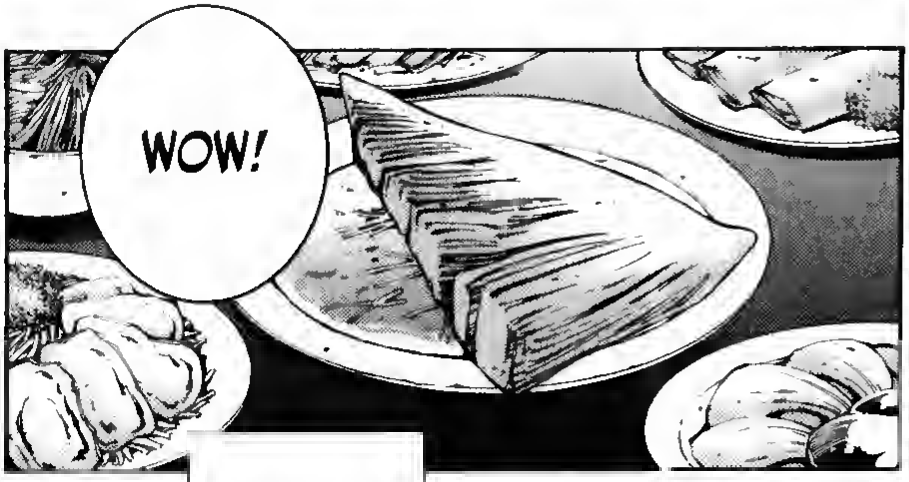
IF I BELIEVE... I CAN ACHIEVE ANYTHING...
MIND OVER MATTER...
WHAT IS SHE DOING?
TA... TAMA-CHAN!
IT'S COMING!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?! RUN!
TAMAKO, GET OUT OF THERE!
MOKICHI-KUN SWAM FOR ME BECAUSE I WAS SCARED.
I CAN'T LET HIM GET HURT FOR THAT!
STOOOOP!

PROTECT ME!
MAMA IN HEAVEN...
PAPA STILL ALIVE...
PLEASE...

UNHHGH..
HAAAAAA!
SHE STOPPED IT!

IN THAT INSTANT...
...SUPLEX!!
...TAMAKO KANEDA BECAME A LEGEND IN SHOUNAN.
THAT SHARK WAS NEVER MORE CONFUSED IN ITS LIFE.

SEA FIRE...


WOW!

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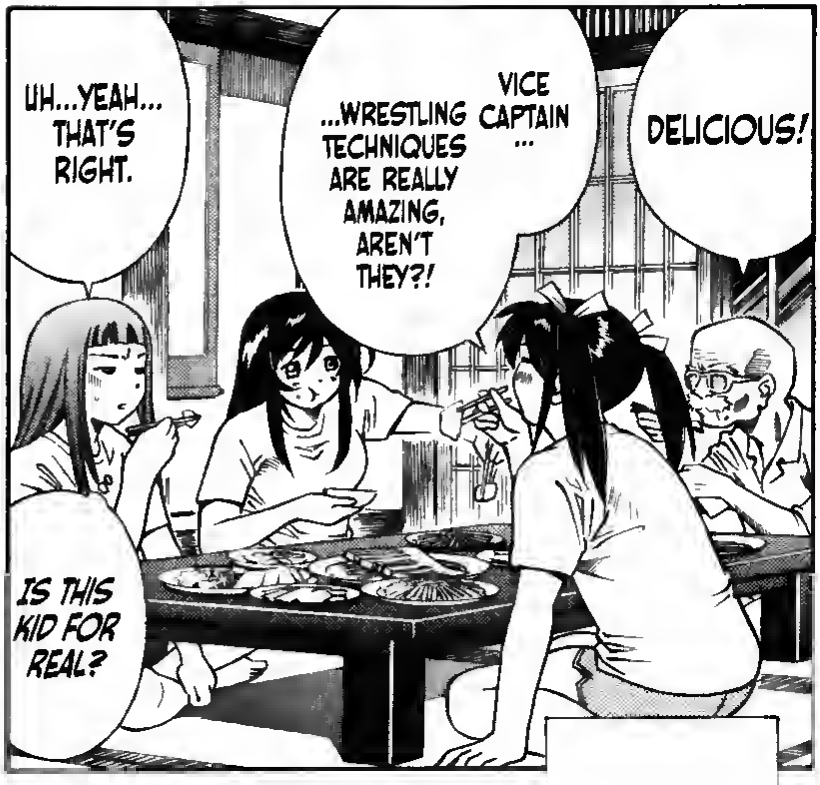
Fukahire

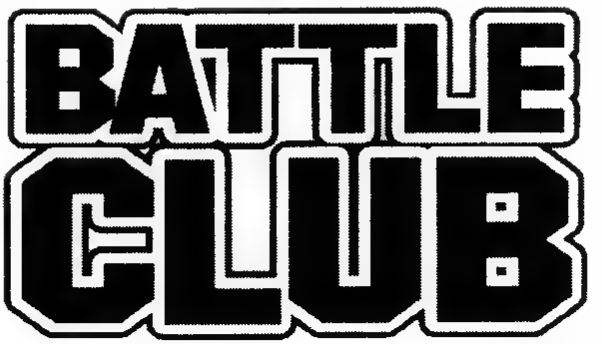
FROM THEN ON, HER FEAR OF THE OCEAN WAS COMPLETELY CURED.
MMM... DELISH!


DELICIOUS!
VICE CAPTAIN ...
...WRESTLING TECHNIQUES ARE REALLY AMAZING, AREN'T THEY?!
UH...YEAH... THAT'S RIGHT.
IS THIS KID FOR REAL?

HE'S SUCH A FRAGILE BOY...
FUKAHIRE'S GREAT!

ALTHOUGH IT SEEMED TO HAVE PASSED ON TO MOKICHI.
SCARY... SCARY...THE OCEAN'S SCARY...

ROUND 9/FIN



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Greetings to all, and hello again to those others! I'm Shiozaki. Now why is this about wrestling? And amateur wrestling at that?! I get questions like that all the time, and the truth is...I dunno!You see, the main character, Tama-chan, was supposed to go golfing when I started writing. Well, that's how I started, but no matter what—-she wouldn't go golfing! Anyways, after struggling with her for a while, I just started drawing it the way she wanted it, and, well...here it is!Truth be told, about three weeks before serialization, I changed the genre to what it is now. Then why wrestling? I must confess, I don't know. I'm sorry. Anyway, keep working hard, and best of luck! Later!

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